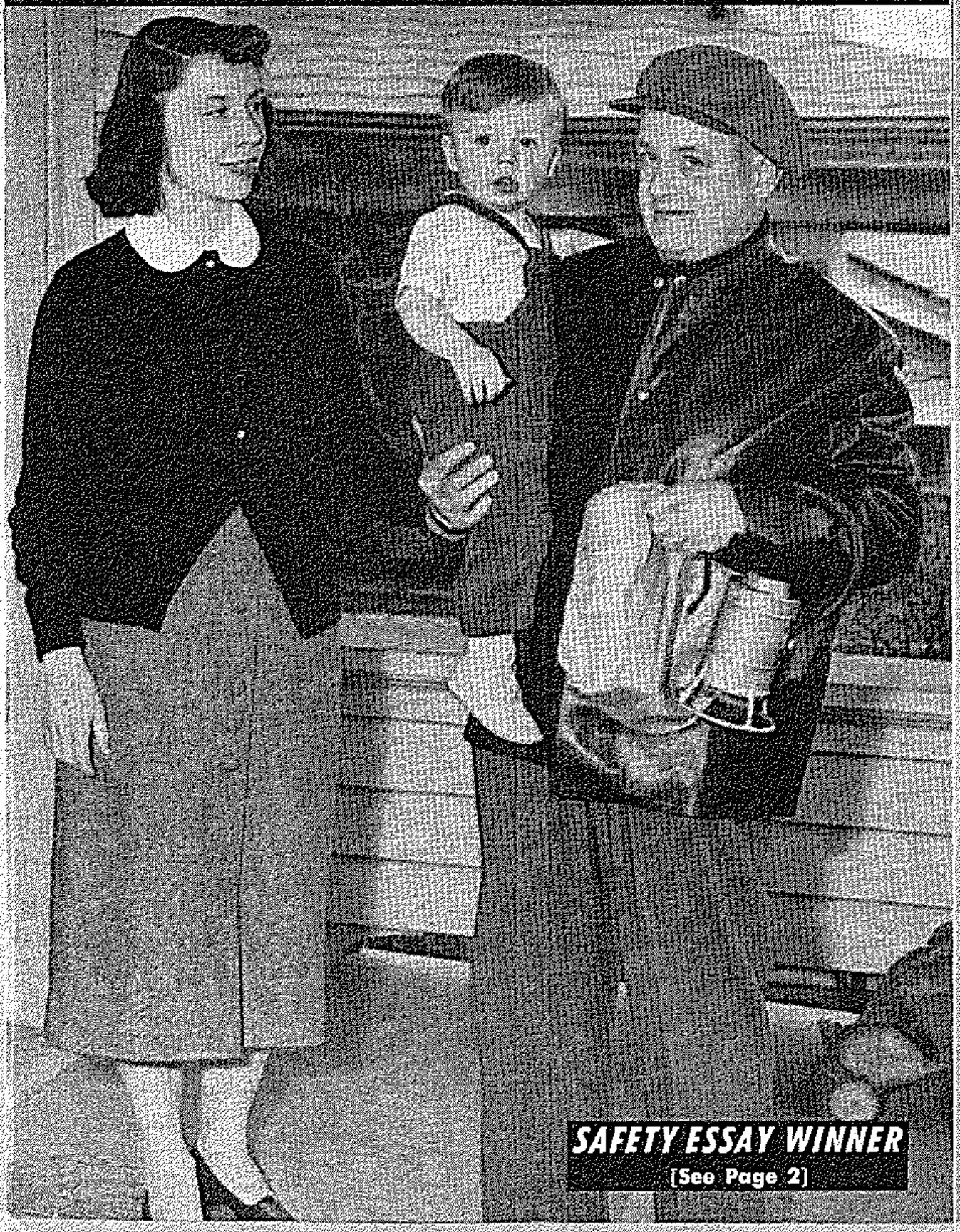
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Winners In Wives & Mothers Safety Essay Contest Named

THREE happy SP housewives are receiving the congratulations of friends on having won prizes for telling "How I Can Help My Husband Be Safe On The Job." They also received United States Savings Bonds.

Winner of first prize in the Essay Contest conducted by the Safety Department and the *Bulletin* was Mrs. Charles F. Cunningham, whose husband is a yard clerk, Brooklyn, Ore. She received a $200 Bond. Second prize, a $100 Bond, was won by Mrs. David J. Rousseau, wife of a West Oakland yardman. A $50 Bond for third place went to Mrs. M. E. Rivera, wife of a carman helper, Tucumcari.

Winners were selected by a panel of judges consisting of M. A. Contabile, gen. chairman, Brotherhood of Railway Carmen of America; Neal P. Speirs, gen. chairman, Switchman's Union of North America; Beecher Rintoul, gen. chairman, Assn. of Railway Technical Employes; M. A. Nugent, supt. of safety; Erle Heath, editor, Bureau of News.

In making their selections from the scores and scores of excellent entries the judges worked independently of one another. Each picked what he considered the six best essays, numbering them in order of preference. Each one's No. 1 choice received six points, No. 2 got five, No. 3 got four, and so on down the line. The three winners were then determined by the total number of points they received. It was interesting to note that each winner's entry was included in selections of at least four of the five judges.

When the *Bulletin* learned the results, we asked Howard Bailey, head reporter for Portland Division, to interview Mrs. Cunningham. His story follows:

"Virginia Cunningham, pretty wife of Yard Clerk Charles F. Cunningham of Brooklyn, was, to use her own word, 'flabbergasted' when she received the news she was winner of first prize.

"'I wanted to make mine different,' she explained. 'I felt a lot of wives would stress giving their husbands well-filled lunch buckets, seeing they get proper rest and are not emotionally upset by family bickering, all very essential to their safety. But the idea of being interested in my husband's work appealed to me, because that's the way I feel—I am interested in what goes on at Brooklyn, and Chuck knows it. Why, I could almost be a yard clerk myself if it were not for . . .' Here she let her voice fall as she gazed lovingly at the blanket-wrapped bundle on the bed—little Richard, only one month old—at the same

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COINCIDENCES!

WHEN all tabulations were in on the final judging of the Safety Essay Contest winners, three coincidences came to light. First, Charles Cunningham, husband of first-prize winner, is the same Charles Cunningham who won the 1952 FPM&SS Slogan Contest with "Claim Prevention Is Job Retention." Second, the first name of first-place winner Mrs. Cunningham and second-place winner Mrs. David Rousseau is Virginia. Third, third-place winner Mrs. M. E. Rivera is the mother of Mary Ann Rivera, who won first prize a year ago in the SP Essay Contest, "What My Dad's Safety Means to Me."



FIRST PRIZE: *The good news that she won top spot in the SP Safety Essay Contest is shared by Virginia Cunningham with husband Charles and Charles, Jr. The Cunninghams have another son, Richard, age two months.*

By VIRGINIA CUNNINGHAM

Wife of Yard Clerk Charles F. Cunningham, Brooklyn Yard

A MAN genuinely interested in his job and anxious to learn everything about it will always work more safely than one to whom it is merely a tiresome means of making a living.

Alertness and operational knowledge, the essential characteristics of a truly ***safe*** railroad employe, cannot be acquired unless one possesses a real, personal interest in the fascinating business of railroading far beyond the bare accomplishment of required tasks. Duties performed without an understanding of their place and purpose in the entire operational scheme can never be anything but tedious chores blindly executed by a dull workman. A dull workman cannot work safely anywhere but he is especially unsafe around a railroad, endangering his own and other lives.

For this reason ***I believe I can best help my husband work safely by sharing with him a personal interest not only in his daily work but in the whole intriguing business of railroading.***

It is difficult for a man whose wife shows no interest in his work and does not care to talk with him about it to keep up his own vital interest in the purpose and importance of his job.

Because of this I believe a sincerely-demonstrated interest in my husband's work contributes just as substantially toward helping him work safely as the proper wifely functions of keeping him well-fed, well-clothed and well-rested on the job.



SECOND PRIZE:

Harmony abounds in the home of a safe worker like David Rousseau whose wife, Virginia, won second place in contest. Mrs. Rousseau, an accomplished pianist, and her family enjoy frequent songfests. Daughters are Laura, 8; Teresa, 7; Sandra, 6; Kathy, 4; and Patti, 2.

By VIRGINIA ROUSSEAU

Wife of Yardman David J. Rousseau, West Oakland

HOW can I help my husband be safe on the job?

Immediately I jot down the old saying "Don't take your family problems to work." In a household of five daughters this naturally is a hard thing to do; therefore I believe here is where I can be of the most help.

Since our yardman works the swing shift, I have him here while the girls are in school. These hours I spend enjoying his company, aiding his varied hobbies and seeing that he eats properly. Any of my uncompleted chores can be finished in the evening. Week-ends the girls have activities to keep them occupied, yet are encouraged to share some hours with Dad.

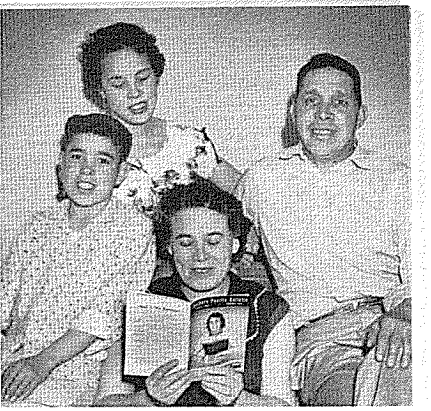
I discuss problems with the girls, chart household duties, wrestle with the budget and do the minor paper work without bothering my husband. Things that I believe should be brought to his attention are kept until he has had a good night's sleep, and early enough in the day to afford ample time for discussions before his working hours. Differences of opinion are immediately settled in favor of the family unit as a whole rather than for individual satisfaction.

This then is my job: to be a good "herder" to a yardman and his family, and to maintain "the correct line-up" through "the puzzle switch" of daily life.

Thus my husband arrives at work calm and rested, able to perform his switching competently and, above all, ***safely.***

THIRD PRIZE:

Winning prizes in SP Safety Essay Contests is becoming a habit with the Rivera family. First it was daughter Mary who won first place in last year's contest for children. Now it's mother, shown with husband Merced, son and daughter. That's Mary's picture on "Bulletin."



By MARY RIVERA

Wife of Carman Helper M. E. Rivera, Tucumcari

AS a wife of a Southern Pacific employe I consider my husband's safety on the job a personal obligation. It is my duty to cooperate with the Company in its effort to promote safe habits and attitudes among its men.

A safe worker is calm, confident, alert, interested, informed and conscientious. A man has to ***bring*** these qualities to his work. No one is better suited to help him than his wife.

By maintaining a happy home life where my husband can relax and find pleasure in our children and friends, where he can forget his job and renew his energy for the next day's work, I help him to develop calmness.

To be alert, the body must be refreshed with sufficient rest and good wholesome food. It is my duty to arrange our recreation and home chores so that they do not deprive my husband of the required rest. A wife who plans vitamin-filled home meals and lunches is contributing much to her husband's safety on the job.

By my interest I can encourage my husband to cooperate with the Safety Education program sponsored by the Company. ***As an informed and interested employe, who clearly understands his moral responsibility for the lives and good of others, and who has the interest of his Company at heart, my husband's safety value on the job will be the best we can make it.*** I am proud to be the wife of a railroad man. May God bless him and his fellow workers.

RUNNERS-UP

RATING honorable mentions in the Safety Essay Contest, their entries having been included in the final voting, were the wives of Aaron Belansky, clerk, San Jose Yard; Carl Lee Boyd, pipefitter, Taylor Roundhouse, LA; Francis Hancock, draftsman, Chief Engineer's Office, SF; Samuel W. Hawker, machinist, Gerber Roundhouse; Paul R. Matheny, yard clerk, Medford; James A. Pemberton, yardman, Roseburg; Glen Sherwood, trainman, Rio Grande Division; C. E. Tyner, engineer, Modesto; Harold N. Welsh, asst. engineer, Shasta Division. Congratulations!

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time tousling the hair of Charles, Junior, age 1½.

"As for Richard, he was extremely bored by the whole thing, opened one eye when the flash-bulb exploded, decided the hub-bub was entirely uncalled for, and promptly went back to sleep.

"Charles, Junior, however, displayed immediate ambition to be an assistant photographer, and made a dive for the camera equipment the minute Photographer Don Richardson deposited it on the floor.

"As for Charles, Senior, he is justifiably proud of a wife with both looks and brains. He started work for Southern Pacific in 1951. At present he works the 4 p.m. to midnight shift, where a good bit of the work is done in darkness around moving trains, and where the parting admonition of his wife: 'Be careful, Chuck,' is advice to be well heeded."

Second-prize winner Virginia Rousseau has five wonderful reasons for being interested in her husband's safety. They are daughters Laura, age 8; Teresa, 7; Sandra, 6; Kathy, 4; and Patti, 2. Take a look at their picture on page 4 and you'll agree they're about the cutest quintette you've ever seen.

Mrs. Rousseau was an Army nurse on a transport when she met Dave, a former master sergeant in the Air Force, in 1941. Her experiences with the Army provide another strong reason for her intense interest in the protection of life and limb.

Mrs. Rivera, like the other winners, is convinced that personal interest in her husband's work plays a large part in his safety-consciousness. Such interest, she says, also encourages a husband to cooperate with the Safety program sponsored by the Company.

"The large number of entries and the thoughts expressed in them were most gratifying," said M. A. Nugent, supt. of safety. "It's a well known fact that safety on the job begins at home. We give credit and thanks to the wives and mothers of our SP men for the splendid Safety record that we are now enjoying."

Heber Smith, Freight Claim Agent, Passes

HEBER SMITH, freight claim agent, died April 11 after a short illness. His passing was mourned by hundreds of friends in the Company and in the transportation industry throughout the country.

Smith started his career with SP as a clerk in the Operating Department at Sacramento in 1908 and transferred to the Freight Traffic Department in San Francisco in 1916, where he became secretary to freight claim agent.

After holding various positions he went to Los Angeles in 1941 as assistant freight claim agent and in 1945 returned to San Francisco in that capacity. He had been freight claim agent since 1946.

Death of Director Harvey Mudd Ends Career of Public Service



HARVEY S. MUDD

HARVEY S. MUDD, a Southern Pacific director since 1940, passed away suddenly April 12 at his home in Beverly Hills.

While Director Mudd's primary business interests were in mining, his activities extended far beyond that field. He and members of his family have made substantial contributions to educational, cultural and philanthropic institutions, largely in Southern California.

Many Southern Pacific people were numbered among his friends. He was a familiar figure at the Los Angeles Division annual picnic.

Born in Leadville, Colorado, August 30, 1888, he entered Stanford University in 1906, later transferring to Columbia, where he graduated as a mining engineer in 1912. He entered the mining field at Bisbee, Arizona. He was chairman of the Board, Cyprus Mines Corp.; director, Texas Gulf Sulphur Co., Mesabi Iron Co., Founders' Insurance Co., Marcona Mining Co.; voting trustee, Pacific Mutual Life Insurance Co.; trustee, California Institute of Technology; chairman, Greater Los Angeles Plans; vice chairman, Board of Fellows, Claremont College; past president and member, American Institue of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers; and member, Advisory Board of Henry E. Huntington Library and Art Gallery.

The Los Angeles *Times*, in an editorial following his death, observed that "his life was lived on the basis of performing good works for the greatest number and the greatest number represented the whole community."

Kalbaugh Named Gen'l Manager, SP Pipe Lines

APPOINTMENT of Frank E. Kalbaugh as general manager of the recently formed Southern Pacific Pipe Lines, Inc., was announced in April. The pipe lines of the new company will be constructed from LA and El Paso refinery areas to Tucson and Phoenix.

Kalbaugh, former superintendent of the Salt Lake Division, has been serving with the government since 1953 as general manager of the Alaska Railroad.

Kalbaugh joined Southern Pacific in 1919 as a clerk at Bakersfield, and advanced through Operating Department positions at various locations before becoming assistant superintendent, Western Div., in 1944. He was named supt. of transportation at San Francisco in 1947 and a year later became supt., Salt Lake Division, the position he left when he joined the Alaska Railroad.



Wasatch Range in the background affords a breath-taking view for engineers as they shuttle the switchers around Ogden yards.

Salt Lake Division Railroaders In Ogden Are Community Leaders

LOCATED on the western edge of the Wasatch Range of the Rocky Mountains, at an altitude of 4,300 feet and boasting a population of 65,000, Ogden, Utah, headquarters of the Salt Lake Division, is unique among modern cities in that its people are "small-town" in their interests. They seek their pleasures and find contentment at home, in civic organizations and in the church.

Essentially, Ogden is now and always has been a railroad city and it would be difficult to visualize this community without the railroads (Ogden has one of the largest switching terminals in the west).

There are 1400 SPers working in this neighborhood, and like nearly everyone else in the area, they are absorbed in their families, their work and the city. And, as in all communities reached by our rails, our folks are active in civic affairs. The mayor of Ogden, for example, is Raymond Wright, SP office engineer. A neat-appearing man wearing rimless glasses, Wright *looks* like a mayor. Moving with quiet authority through the corridors of City Hall he is dignified, as befitting a mayor, and friendly, as befitting an SP man. Wright has held this office since 1953 and is aware of all the problems that confront a city the size of Ogden. "Oh, we're not growing by leaps and bounds," he says. "Our growth is slow, but very steady."

Head man of the Division, square-jawed V. E. Anderson, superintendent, encourages community participation and indeed is as popular with the townspeople as he is with the 3900 SP folks working along the 921 miles of Salt Lake Division tracks. The main lines of the Division reach west from Ogden across the Great Salt Lake to Reno, joining there with the Sacramento Division; and north from Fernley, Nevada, to Alturas, California, where junction is made with the Shasta Division.

Anderson is married and is the father of a young son and daughter. Next to his family, he loves the Division best. Possessed of a tremendous vitality, Anderson seems rarely to sleep, and is ready to talk shop all hours of the day and night. Everywhere he goes people smile when they see him. His easy air of authority and personal magnetism help him to make friends quickly. Visitors coming to Anderson's office (and there are many, both SPers and townspeople) relax in comfortable chairs where they can gaze out the window at towering (almost 10,000 ft. high) Mt. Ogden.

Real Railroader

A typical Ogden citizen is D. W. "Doc" Tanner, assistant superintendent. Active in church work, he has a family whose size may be a record for SP officers: 10 children and 11 grandchildren. Doc has been on the Salt Lake Division since 1920 when he began his railroading career as a student brakeman. Youthful-appearing Tanner thinks of the Division as a unit, saying, "We don't regard ourselves here as belonging to different departments. We work together as a whole . . . we're the SP Company!"

Another of Ogden's leading citizens is Chief Clerk Howard Watts, Superintendent's Office. He is chairman of the United Fund for 1955, treasurer and director of the Kiwanis Club, a five-time winner of the Speakers Trophy in the Toastmasters Club, a scoutmaster, and like Mayor Wright, is active in church work. He served as a Lt. Colonel in the army. Watts, with the assistance of red-haired Clarence Johnson, asst. chief clerk, sees that the administrative details of the Division are handled smoothly.

Discussing one of many railroad matters that arise during a day are Chief Clerk Howard Watts, Sup't Office, and his secretary, Fay Van Drimmelen.

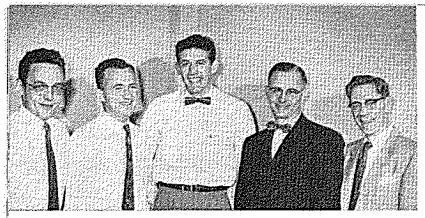




Superintendent V. E. Anderson, with his winning smile, is a familiar figure along the 921 miles of Salt Lake Division trackage.

E. A. "Woody" Bancroft, traveling freight and passenger agent, 32 years old and father of three sons, two of whom are twins, age 4, is president of the Ogden Traffic Club and president of the Ogden Toastmasters Club, and is a leading member of the Kiwanis. Woody began his meteoric career in 1946 as a manifest clerk, Salt Lake City, and an infectious grin, combined with a bulldog determination to follow a task through have undoubtedly contributed to his success, both on the job and off.

The SP Male Chorus of Ogden, organized in 1948, and consisting of 26



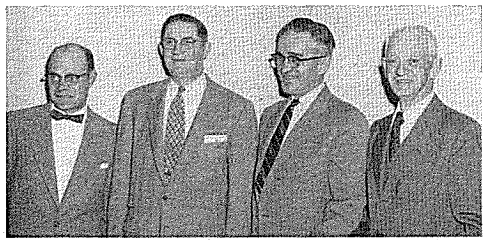
Members of the Chief Dispatcher's Office, Ogden, include (l-r) Vernon Sharrar, steno; D. W. Burton, dispatcher; Jim Forristall, dispatcher; A. E. Forbes, car distributor; Fred W. Smith, chief dispatcher.

members, are renowned for their choral work. At this writing they have already given 45 performances throughout Utah since December, and under the direction of Accident Clerk Owen Rouse, will present many more concerts through the end of the year. For their appearances the members wear outfits of powder blue jackets and charcoal slacks.

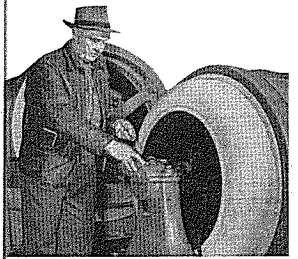
Other local organizations include the SP Old Timers Club; the SP Club, organized 9 years ago, which sponsors the annual picnic at Lagoon for all Salt Lake Division people, and which for the last two years has sponsored a basketball team in the Ogden Industrial League; and the SP Bowling League, with 12 teams, which has been in existence at Ogden since 1946.

Through service on the Salt Lake Division between Sparks and Ogden is now completely dieselized. "Our road diesels average more than 10,000 miles per unit per month," Anderson says proudly. One hundred road freight diesels, eight road switchers and nine yard switchers are all serviced at the modern Ogden shops, under the direction of Robert Smith, master mechanic, who started with SP 28 years ago as a machinist-apprentice in El Paso. There are 394 men working in diesel maintenance, and 101 in the Car Department (rip track and running repairs). Incidentally, statistics concerning repairs at the Ogden shops are rather awesome. The average number of freight cars receiving heavy repairs per month is 76; light repairs per month, 541. The average number of freight cars receiving running repairs per month is 1025; passenger cars receiving running repairs average 36 per month.

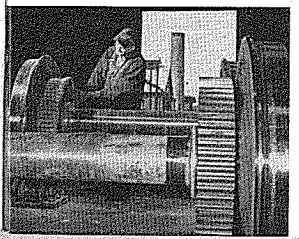
On hand at a meeting of the SP Old Timers Club of Ogden to explain the SP pension plan was H. E. Alsing (second from left) secretary, Board of Pensions. Others in picture include (l-r) Arthur Kingsford, secretary, Old Timers Club; Hugh O'Neil, *Bulletin* head reporter; Stanley Shaw, president, Old Timers Club.

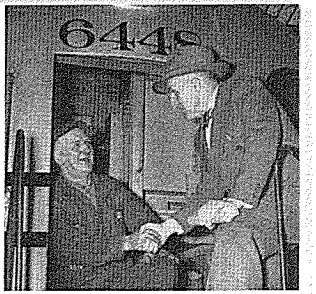


The subject of safety is important to the shop men. They think and talk a lot about it. Each month, on their own initiative, they have a meeting in an upstairs room and discuss the various aspects of keeping safe on the job. A "safety supervisor" is elected monthly from the Mechanical Department and the Car Department and it is the duty of these two men to plan and execute the safety program.



J. H. Ransome (above), electrician foreman, Ogden, stands proudly beside the GE motor generator set he put in 30 years ago and which has run steadily since then, 24 hours a day, never requiring any repairs or adjustments. Generator has been oiled once a year. Orlando Wade (below), welder, Ogden, critically inspects locomotive wheels he has been working on.





Old-timer James Stone (left), machinist, Ogden Shops, is congratulated on his retirement after 50 years of accident-free service by John Mumford, general foreman, who has been with SP 51 years thus far.

Last month, for example, a typical safety meeting, attended by approximately 300 shop men, consisted of an address by General Foreman John Mumford (who has been in the Ogden shops 51 years) on the subject, "Horseplay in the Shops—and its Hazards," brief off-the-cuff talks by Robert Smith and "Doc" Tanner, a showing of the movie, "River On The Rampage" and safety discussions. When it was announced that Machinist James Stone was retiring after more than 50 years' continuous service at the shop, Jim arose, and standing among his old friends, removed his cap and made what was probably one of the few public utterances of his life. In a voice tight with emotion, Stone said simply, "Mr. Chairman. I want to thank all my friends for the help they have given me through the years." (A picture of the meeting is on pages 26-27.)

Like so many folk around here, the majority of the shopmen lead quiet lives, spending evenings with their families, watching television and planning fish-



Raymond Wright, SP office engineer, signs many papers as part of his duties as mayor.

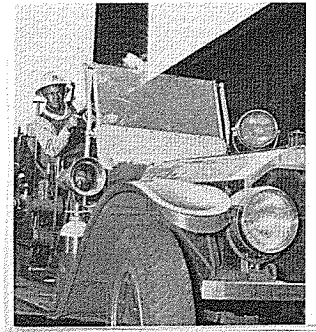


Checking for carbon sludge in diesel oil is E. B. St. Clair, asst. chief chemist, Diesel-Control Laboratory, Ogden.

ing trips and picnics with neighbors.

Adjacent to the shops is the three-bed hospital, presided over by Nurse Nan Canaday, a soft-spoken women who has been taking care of SP patients since 1920. "Seems like only five years," she says. "When you love your work, the time just flies." The beds in Nan's hospital are rarely used; the men of Ogden take their safety-mindedness seriously. Safety is more to them than plaques on the walls (and they have plenty of these); safety practice is as much a part of their everyday lives as the tools they work with.

Ready to extinguish any shop fire is George Anderson, foreman of labor gang, seated at wheel of Ogden SP fire truck.



The Ogden Stores Department has a record difficult to equal. In the last 14 years they have had but one reportable accident, going ten years (1942-1952) with an unblemished record.

In 1868 the Ogden Union Railway and Depot Company was formed for the purpose of operating switching and terminal facilities at Ogden. Jointly controlled by SP and UP, the terminal facilities consist of approximately 500 acres of property on which are located approximately 125 miles of switching tracks, with over 560 turn outs; a modern passenger station, a freight station building and platforms, together with over 100 other yard buildings and structures.

Last year from Ogden there were 3,000 carloads of grain products, 500 carloads of livestock and 500 carloads of military supplies shipped out, and there is considerable other traffic originated along the Division's main route and branch lines. A tremendous volume of through traffic is handled from California and Oregon points along the Division lines to the Eastern markets, and from the east to the west coast.

In Ogden these days the fragrant May breezes coming down from the heights



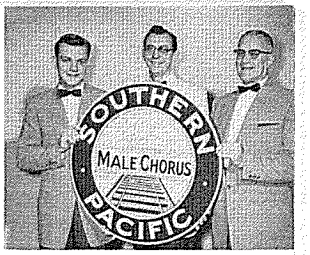
Lady in white: On the job in the well-equipped hospital near the Ogden shops is veteran nurse, Nan Canady.

of the Wasatch Range fill a man's lungs close to bursting. Children are romping in the school yards; women are digging their hands into rich loam, planting summer flowers, and men coming home from their jobs in the evening drive along wide, shaded streets.

Ogden, the large city with its "small-town" philosophy and a railroader as its mayor, is a good place to live.

And if you work for the Southern Pacific, you are the luckiest of all; for you are an essential and integral part of the community, and you are a contented man.

"SP Friendly Club" is the name of a newly-formed organization at Roseburg. Its principal purpose is to visit or send flowers to employes or members of their families who are ill. Officers are Clerk O. H. Nelson, president; Yardman I. M. Dunn, vice president; Mrs. R. V. Miller, secty-treasurer. Membership, now over 115, is open to all employes in the district between Riddle and Oakland, Ore.



Resplendent in new attire are these singers with Ogden SP Male Chorus, (above l-r) Jim Lloyd, messenger; Owen Rouse, accident clerk; Dan Shupe, trainmen's timekeeper.



Pleased at having received the President's Safety awards for Transportation Dept., and Best Division—All Employes, 1954, are (above l-r) D. W. Tanner, asst. supt.; R. L. Smith, master mechanic; C. T. Ray, div. engineer, Salt Lake Div. Ogden traffic team includes E. A. Bancroft (seated below) traveling pass. & freight agent; (standing, l-r) J. P. Harrington, sta. pass. agent; H. M. McDonald, pass. agent; B. E. Folkman, gen. clerk.



"Electronic Brain" Switches Cars In Houston Classification Yard

A RAILROAD yard where radar and an "electronic brain" have practically replaced push buttons in switching freight cars swiftly and safely, is being constructed by SP at Houston.

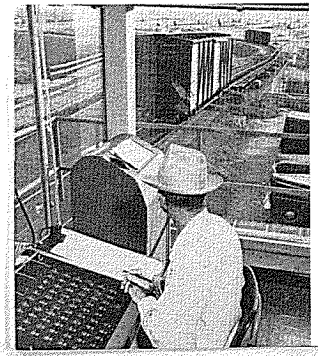
This automatic system is effective even though foggy weather may cut visibility in the classification yard almost to zero.

As each car is nudged over a small artificial hill called the "hump," a towerman "orders" it to its scheduled position in the yard through an automatic switching system.

When it starts to roll down the "hump," the car is automatically weighed and is clocked for speed by radar as it enters an electric retarder (a series of rail brakes) set in the track. An electric computer instantly notes the car's weight, speed, rollability, distance to roll and other factors including even wind resistance. Then, like a mechanical "brain," the computer "tells" the retarder at what speed the car can be released so it will roll to its destination in the yard and there couple smoothly and safely into a new train.

The new $7 million, four-mile-long yard is now approximately two-thirds completed, and is scheduled for dedication this fall. Its addition to Southern Pacific's many new operating facilities will help expedite the handling of freight traffic over the railroad's entire system.

Using panel board switches, engine foreman lines tracks for cars as they move down "hump" to Houston classification yard.



"Lark" Steward Proves No Request Too Tough

THE unusual request might have stumped others, but not Don Coleman, dining car steward on the *Lark*.

Coleman was at his post in the diner, cheerfully greeting breakfast guests, when one of his customers said:

"My friend Claude Peterson has told me no service is too great to expect on this train. Now I'm going to put that statement to the test. Do you have any birdseed?"

Before Coleman could explain that birdseed wasn't a standard item on the menu, even on a train named "Lark," the customer added:

"It isn't for me—I intend to have ham and eggs. But I've got five pet parakeets in my room that are hungry as the dickens and they've got no food."

Without batting an eye, Coleman went into the kitchen, returning a few minutes later carrying a bowl.

"Here you are, sir," he said, "it isn't exactly birdseed but I think your parakeets will like it. It's ground oatmeal."

With misgiving the customer accepted the dish and headed for his room. A short while later he returned to the diner and smilingly told Coleman:

"Man, they enjoyed that better than anything they've ever eaten! From now on when anybody asks me I'll tell 'em the service on the Lark is strictly for the birds—but with a new meaning!"

Authority for the story was none other than the customer: George Horton, traffic manager, Bechtel Corp., SF.



HOMEMADE TRACK MOVERS were used successfully on San Joaquin Division during realignment of track to provide greater clearance for our new dome cars. One method, shown at right, was to hook a bulldozer blade over the rail and simply pull the track to the desired position. In some places deep embankments near the track didn't leave space to run the machine at right angles to the rail. So another method, shown at left, was applied. Cables were fastened to the track, run through pulleys attached to a stationary bulldozer and pulled by a second bulldozer running parallel to the rails.

Test Cushion Coupling Device Developed by SP

A REVOLUTIONARY new freight car cushioning device to increase the safeguards that surround railroad shipments, developed by Southern Pacific in cooperation with Stanford Research Institute, has been undergoing tests.

Although the new device, on which the Company is seeking patents, shows considerable promise, research and development will continue in search of possible refinements in design that will make it more suitable for volume production.

Essentially the device consists of a friction brake actuated by hydraulic mechanism built into a modified freight car underframe to cushion the shock when cars are coupled together. The couplers are attached to a car-length sill "floating" inside the fixed car underframe. The movements of this sill are slowed by the braking action of the hydrafriction unit, this braking action automatically being in direct proportion to the force of the impact on either coupler. The adjustment between impact and cushioning reaction is said to be instantaneous.

The new device was first built and tested as a pilot model, then improved and built full size into a freight car constructed at our Sacramento shops. This prototype car is now in test service. Careful check of its performance is being kept by the Department of Research and Mechanical Standards, and by Freight Protection, Merchandise and Station Service, under a wide variety of operating conditions.

Because the new device makes use of a special design underframe, it cannot be applied to old cars. But if it proves successful it will be built into more of the new cars continually under construction at Sacramento Shops.



THEY ATTENDED CLAIM PREVENTION CONFERENCE IN SF (SEE BELOW).

Careful Freight Handling Theme of Local Freight Agents' Conference

LOCAL freight agents from points throughout the railroad gathered in San Francisco last month for their fourth annual conference on Station & Warehouse Operations and Loss & Damage Prevention.

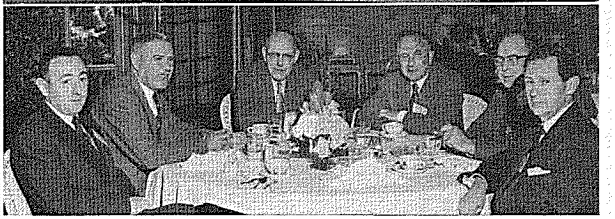
More than 150 persons, including Operating, Traffic and Accounting representatives, took part in the two-day program.

Subjects discussed included Importance of Agent's Part in Revenue Forecasting, IBM Yard Office operations and Work Simplification, The Superintendent and the Agent, Trailer-Flatcar Operations, New Methods for Increasing Efficiency of Platform and Office Operations, Loss & Damage Preventions and Handling of Freight Claims, Function of the Industrial Department and Advancements in Our Communications Facilities.

Among those who took part, in addition to those shown on the opposite page, were C. E. Peterson, vice pres., system pass. traffic; W. M. Jaekle, chief engineer; C. D. Lafferty, mgr. of industrial development; G. E. Moss, asst. supt. of communications; R. E. Marks, asst. to vice president—law; L. J. Lyons, supt. of freight car service; H. J. Kihn, aud. frt. accts.; E. W. Powers, supt. freight claim prevention; G. F. Garland, asst. frt. claim agt.; O. A. Klamroth, special asst. to vice pres., system frt. traffic; G. E. Miller, asst. gen. frt. agent; R. K. Lattin, gen. mgr., PMT; R. M. Tierney, asst. supvr., methods and standardization; J. N. Sherbourne, supvr., FPM&SS Dept.; C. A. Allen, asst. aud. frt. accts.; C. W. Draa, asst. supvr. of station service.

Two Annual Picnics have been announced by SP Club of Ogden—one at Weber County Memorial Park June 25, the other at Lagoon August 13. Invitations have been extended to Salt Lake Division railroaders and their families to attend. SP folks off the division would be welcomed, too.





Among participants in Local Freight Agents' Annual Conference at SF were (above, l-r) T. A. Fante, asst. mgr., FPM&SS, conference chairman; J. W. Corbett, vice pres., system operations; R. E. Hallawell, gen. mgr.; P. M. Chalmov, mgr., FPM&SS; H. J. Mohr, agent, Portland; A. S. McCann, supt., Western Div. (Below) P. J. Kendall, gen. auditor; R. M. Gilmore, asst. vice pres., system passenger traffic; A. G. Parker, asst. vice pres., system freight traffic; E. A. McDowell, 1st asst. mgr. of personnel; Edmund Burke, freight claim agent.



SP Is Featured in New Railroad Book

"STEEL Trails And Iron Horses" is the title of an informative and entertaining new book which traces the growth of the railroad industry in this country from its very begininng up to the present time.

Compiled by Lamont Buchanan and published by G. P. Putnam's Sons ($3.95), the 160-page book is replete with excellent photographs that will quicken the pulse of any railfan.

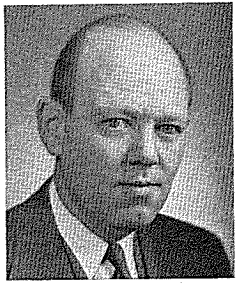
Southern Pacific—and the parent Central Pacific—are featured prominently. Pictures include the building of the first transcontinental railroad, SP's "Prosperity Special" of 1922 when the Company paraded a string of 22 newly-purchased locomotives across the country to herald an era of "better things to come," the Daylight and cab-ahead engines, and others.

"Yesterday the railroad was a pioneer," the book concludes, "today it is the nation's work horse—tomorrow its future will be forged from an incredible past and an indispensable present perhaps into shapes and activities undreamed of now."

Commissary Department Appointments Announced

PROMOTION of Nate Dolkart to superintendent of Los Angeles Commissary was announced last month. Dolkart succeeded the late George Leask. Floyd Hamel succeeded Dolkart as assistant superintendent and Andrew Bachmat advanced from dining car inspector to Hamel's former position of assistant to superintendent of commissary. Dolkart started with SP in 1922 as a commissary helper at Los Angeles and after holding various positions was named asst. supt. in 1947. Hamel also started at the LA Commissary as a clerk in 1937 and advanced to asst. to supt. in 1948. Bachmat, who started as a commissary helper, LA, in 1927, also was a dining car steward on the *Sunset* and *Golden State* for many years before becoming an inspector in 1944.

Stanfield Johnson Is New General Solicitor



STANFIELD JOHNSON

APPOINTMENT of Stanfield Johnson to general solicitor of Southern Pacific, with headquarters in San Francisco, has been announced by George Buland, vice president and general counsel.

Johnson, who has been general attorney in charge of SP's law office in Washington, D. C., since 1950, joined our Law Department in 1945. A graduate of Dartmouth College and Creighton University Law School in Omaha, he has had wide experience in private practice and corporation law.

He practiced law in Nebraska and served in the state legislature before entering the Army in 1942, serving as a major on the general staff of General George C. Marshall.



Clerk Arthur Elftman (left) of Oakland receives claim payment which brings total claims paid by Provident Life & Accident Insurance Company to more than $1 million under Family Hospital Plan (see below). At right is A. F. Gaynor, Provident representative, who presented check.

Family Group Payments Pass $1,000,000 Mark

WHEN Arthur G. Elftman, timekeeper in the stationmaster's office, Oakland Pier, recently received a claim payment for hospital expenses incurred by members of his family, the occasion deserved special attention.

The payment, a check for $745.88, brought to more than $1,000,000 the total claims paid by Provident Life & Accident Insurance Company to some 7500 SP employes since the Family Group Hospital Plan went into effect in November 1953.

Elftman is one of nearly 20,000 employes who have availed themselves of this protection and is one of more than 3,000 who bought this coverage within the past year. Since his insurance went into effect on May 1 of last year the Plan has benefited five members of his family who were hospitalized. Naturally he is pleased with having had the foresight to make application for insurance when he did.

Hermann Named to New Research Post

APPOINTMENT of Otto J. Hermann, Jr., to the new position of methods research assistant was announced jointly by Vice Presidents W. G. Peoples, system freight traffic, and Claude E. Peterson, system passenger traffic.

Creation of the new position is part of SP's continuing modernization of all operations. Our company is constantly studying development of new office machines and methods so it may keep indoor efficiency abreast of outdoor technical advances.

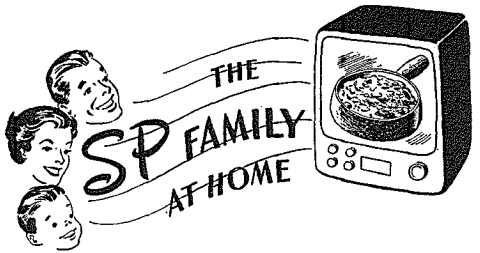
Hermann joined SP as a special passenger agent in San Francisco in 1947 after service with the Passenger Department of an eastern railroad. At the time of his new appointment he was a special representative of SP at the Stanford Research Institute, of which the Company is an associate member.

Fir Plywood Industry 50th Anniversary Due

CELEBRATING its Golden Anniversary, the Douglas Fir Plywood Association will hold a Jubilee Meeting at Portland, June 19-21, at which between 1200 and 1400 manufacturers, distributors and suppliers are expected to attend. Many of these are Southern Pacific customers.

From a small beginning in Portland 50 years ago, fir plywood has grown to be one of the leading products of the Pacific Northwest. This year, the industry expects to ship 120,000 cars of plywood and veneer, it is reported.

Parades, national television shows, exhibits and other features are scheduled for the three-day program. Southern Pacific is helping to publicize the important event through window displays and other publicity channels.



By **GENEVIEVE CALLAHAN and LOU RICHARDSON**
Nationally known food writers and consultants

IT'S IN THE BAG!

MAYBE you don't see it, but the smiling lady below has a bag of lunch. And in the bag is a piece of her good "Lunchbox Prune Cake."

The lady is Catherine Scullin of the Superintendent's Office, Coast Division. Her husband works in the Yards at 3rd and Townsend, San Francisco. Like Catherine, he carries his lunch—and calls it a good one when there's some of that cake. This is her recipe:

CATHERINE SCULLIN



LUNCHBOX PRUNE CAKE

• **Sift:** 2 cups flour, 1 cup sugar, 2 tablespoons cocoa, ½ teaspoon salt, ½ teaspoon cloves, 1 teaspoon cinnamon.

• **Next:** Beat 2 eggs. Add 1 cup *chopped cooked prunes*, 1 *cup oil*, 1 *teaspoon* soda dissolved in 6 tablespoons prune juice.

• **Now:** Stir dry ingredients into that. Add 1 to 2 cups chopped nuts (we used walnuts and blanched almonds). Bake in a greased 8" x 8" or 9" x 9" square pan about 50 minutes at 350°.

(Note: In testing this, we used ¾ cup oil instead of 1 cup and it turned out fine!)

FAMILY EATS IN WELLS!

Wells, Nevada, that is! And it's the Leroy Nelson family. Roy has been on the tracks around Holborn ever since 1947. They live in Wells, so the 5 girls can go to school there. The twins (aged 10) like macaroni and tomatoes better than anything. The rest of the family likes Mom's vegetable salad!

MOM'S VEGETABLE SALAD

First the dressing: Into a jar put 1 teaspoon salt, ¼ teaspoon sugar, dash of pepper, dash of powdered meat-tenderizer, ½ teaspoon dry mustard, ¾ cup oil, and a little more than ¼ cup vinegar. Shake hard 5 or 6 minutes.

For the salad: Take a bunch of carrots, 2 heads of lettuce, 1 onion, 2 green peppers, 4 hard-cooked eggs. Grate or chop vegetables fine; mix them; then add the chopped eggs. Empty into a garlic-rubbed bowl; add dressing and toss lightly. (Mrs. N. uses about half a "batch" of dressing for this amount.)

Meet the Author



It's Genevieve Callahan. This photo appears on the jacket of her *New California Cook Book*—the book which is awarded to everyone whose recipe appears in these columns. Even if you have won a copy of her original book, you are eligible to try for this. Send your recipes today!

WE GO FOR THESE

Skillet Scallopini. Use thin slices of veal cutlet or veal round steak. Into them pound as much grated Parmesan cheese as the meat will hold. Brown quickly on both sides in a little butter and oil in a skillet. Add a few spoonfuls of white wine; season; cover and let steam 2 or 3 minutes. Serve immediately.

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Chinese Asparagus. Beginning at base of stalks, cut towards the tips in long, thin, slanting slices. Put a chunk of butter into a skillet (one with a lid that fits tight); sprinkle with salt; add 2 or 3 tablespoons water; cover tightly, and cook 5 or 6 minutes. Shake skillet frequently so vegetable won't burn. Cooked this way, it's crisp and has a wonderful flavor!



WHAT'S WRONG HERE?

Susie-not-so-smart is washing Dad's nylon shirts. But she shouldn't wring them so hard! She should squeeze them gently, then roll them up in bath towels for a little while before drying them on hangers. Then there wouldn't be a lot of deep wrinkles for her to iron out.

Annual Dance given by SP Club of Sacramento will be held at Governor's Hall, State Fair Grounds, Saturday, May 28. Chairman Henry Placencia says admission will be free and tickets may be obtained from club representatives. An added feature will be awarding of many valuable door prizes, Henry says.

Watson, GPA, Retires; Olsen, Others Advance



F. E. WATSON C. O. OLSEN

RETIREMENT of F. E. Watson as general passenger agent, Central District, and appointment of Carl O. Olsen to succeed him were announced last month. Other appointments were: William F. Coyne, succeeding Olsen as passenger traffic manager, headquarters Chicago; Joel Newman, succeeding Coyne as passenger traffic manager, New York; Robert E. Wynkoop, succeeding Newman as general agent, passenger department, New York.

Watson's retirement closes a career of over half a century, 44 years of it with SP. He started as an agent and telegrapher on the Los Angeles Division in 1911. He advanced to city passenger agent in 1913 and to commercial agent at Pasadena in 1915. After service as a 1st lieutenant with the Army Engineers in France in World War I he returned to the Company, holding various passenger Department positions until 1920, when he became asst. general passenger agent at Los Angeles.

In his position as general passenger agent, Central District, since 1942, Watson had jurisdiction over passenger service for the Company in an area ranging from Bakesfield, through the San Joaquin Valley, to the Oregon line and as far east as Ogden, Salt Lake City and Butte.

Olsen joined SP in 1925 as junior clerk in San Francisco General Freight Office. Later he held various clerical positions in Oakland, advancing to city freight agent. He subsequently served as city freight agent, Fresno; traveling freight and passenger agent, Marysville; general agent, Salt Lake City; and GPA, Central District, before his appointment to PTM, Chicago, in 1952.

Coyne started in 1927 in the New York General Passenger Office, where he advanced to asst. gen. passenger agent. In 1944 he moved to Chicago as general agent and in 1946 was named asst. to passenger traffic mgr., Midwestern Territory. He had been passenger traffic mgr., New York, since 1952.

Newman has been with SP since 1923. All of his service has been in New York, where he has been gen. agt. since 1952.

Wynkoop started as a messenger in SF Ticket Office in 1938, ten years later went to New York as traveling passenger agent. In 1952 he was named district passenger agent there.

"Senior" Pensioner Frank Caldwell passed away in March at the age of 87 years, 10 months. Caldwell, who retired as an engineer on Los Angeles Division in 1913, had the unusual distinction of being on the Company's pension rolls for a period considerably longer than his active service. When he retired, he had worked for 27 years, five months; when he passed away, he had been on pension for 41 years, five months.

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Pretty La Vina Desoto will be Mrs. Von Tagen, wife of a farmer, soon. . . . Auditor J. O'Connor's daughter and her family are joining Daddy in Germany, where he is a jet pilot. . . . Like aunt, like niece, Kay Meagher of the Olympic Club, tops in the SF Women's city golf championship, is a niece of our own famous lady golfer, Eileen Cregan. . . . Los Angeles welcomes new section stockman Andy Kremer, transferred from Tucson where he worked in that capacity for a number of years. . . . Greetings to Robert Gorrell, Clay Mize, Roy Stanger and Paul Thompson, back on duty after being sick. . . . Sympathy to Jose Canez in the loss of his father and to Eduardo Altamirano, whose mother passed away. Also, condolences to their families and friends on the deaths of Millie Pedrow, Ramon Anaya and Willis Woolery.

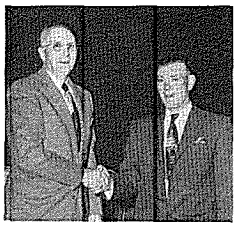
A hale and hearty "return real soon" to Hermine Neuman, August Lang, Bob Lay, Carl Brown, Bill Batchelder, John Osborn and Wofford White, who have been ill. . . . We hope Ed Plate enjoyed his vacation. Soledad Montana had hers in Mexico City, and Chief Clerk Jim Young his with the bucking broncos and long-horn cattle "deep in the heart of Texas." . . . Jim Pierson retired recently after many years service in the Stores Department at Colton. . . . Quite an evensong enthusiast is Walt Peterson since he took over the choir at his church. . . . Talking of churches, congrats to Millard Shelton of Colton on his march down the aisle. . . . Upsurge in the cigar business was due to newcomers in the homes of Tex Burns, Manuel Luna, Ed Powell, Champ Pryor, John Saucedo and Ignacio Sandoval.

Communications

Head Reporter: Henry L. Loretz, SF.

Welcome to new employes Pat Allen, Alfonso Avila, Douglas Dye, Martha Holroyd, Jergen Nielsen, Ed Ken Moore, Wanda Odum, Harry Pohla, Marjory Packwood, Vince Macintosh, Lloyd Schumacher, Burton Schetzle, Bill Schreiner, George Whittington and Floyd Williams. . . . Glad to have Betty Dorman, Josephine Tooley, Alvin Jackson and Rea Crandall back from sick leaves. . . . On the sick list are Marion Legg and Lucian Smith. . . . Congratulations to Bill Crow and Homer Ricketts who were promoted to gang foremen . . . and while we are handing out the congratulations, wish to congratulate Pat Dowd on her promotion to secretary to supt. of communications vice Bob Ammerman who left the service to go in business for himself.

Among the early vacationists who braved good and bad weather combined were Toni Bruno, Pat Dowd, Gladys Miller, Margaret McCarren, Janice Wingard, Howard Norville, Lucille Knezovich, Dorothea Lutes, Doris Bell, Bill Carpenter and Bascom Gentry. . . . Bob Zakhar bid in the San Jose district lineman's job while Alton Willingham bid in lineman's vacancy at Deming. . . . Both Arch Brant and Frank Kenyon have retired and the best wishes of the department go with them. . . . Mary Bridges, Wilma Abraham and Zelma Marhefka have transferred to other de-



HERBERT VANCE (left), superintendent of Sacramento Shops, retired after 44 years' service. Present at a ceremony honoring him was James Ennis, mach. foreman.

partments. . . . Glad to hear the news that Rocky Langfeldt, Ray Cox, Ralph Clifford and Allen Laing have now received their radio-telephone licenses. . . . *We are proud of Rocky Langfeldt* who finally caught a striped bass, which by the way, won the kingfish badge at an SP Rod and Gun Club outing.

Engineering Dept.

Head Reporter: M. E. Foudy, SF. Assistants: Harvey Codde and Francis Ferry, System MofW Shops, WO.

Whenever Harvey Gundry must delay grappling *with a problem file he shoves* it into a folder labeled "Headaches (Major)" for future reference. Anyone with a secret desire to have done just this can see the folder any day in or around Harvey's desk. . . . Early vacationers were Dick Sloan and Clarence Jensen. . . . Homer Meuter is tooling around town in a brand new automobile. . . . A count of noses disclosed the following new employes: Transferred *from the Coast Division to assist* Marshall Pettis is Larry Anderson. Out in the file room we have Tom McEachern and James Wann. Whipping the varityper into shape in the signal drafting room is Annie Quinto. Perking up the steno department is Nancy Anderson, and Marian Ide is presiding over the personal record files. Newly assigned fire prevention engineer is William P. Wicks, who transferred from the West Oakland wood preserving plant, and at West Oakland the new scale inspector and adjuster is Roy K. Bales. Upstairs with Scotty and the blueprinting machines are George Fischer and Robert Dakin. In the big drafting room are Hosmer "Vaughn" Phelps and John *Whitley, the latter having returned from* the Western Division. Noses missing belonged to Gerry Medeiros, William Frame and George Bodmer.

Word come to us from Sansome Street that Art Balboni and Frank Rohrback are enjoying their new positions with SP Pipe Lines as chief clerk and file clerk respectively.

Pacific Motor Trucking

Head Reporter: N. L. Tullis. Assistants: Robert Bound, Northern Dist.; Raymond Bradshaw, Central Dist.; L. Collins, Eastern Dist.; Joan Walker, Southern Dist.

General Office: Paul Corlew, former head timekeeper, has gone to the newly-formed pipe line company. Paul's friends from the General Office honored him with a farewell luncheon. . . . Kirt Cavanaugh was promoted from timekeeper clerk to head timekeeper. . . . Welcome to Edward Barnes, junior clerk, who came from the SP Co. to join our file department staff. . . . John Rintalla, *former voucher clerk, has been* transferred to 4th & Berry Streets operation and promoted to timekeeper-clerk.

Central District: The second annual barbecue for Oakland area employes and families will be held this year June 4 at Elderberry Park near Niles. All Bay area PMT employes are invited to attend. . . . Dick Dolan resigned from his San Francisco clerk position. . . . Al Widmar, now pitching for Seattle in the *Pacific Coast League after spending the* off-season as helper at Oakland, made a nice gesture. He presented many of his former co-workers with passes to the Oakland-Seattle series. . . . Leo Thomas, another ex-Oakland employe, is now playing baseball for Sacramento. . . . George Helwig, Oakland superintendent,



THREE COLTON DEPARTMENTS, LA Div., were presented with 1954 safety awards at a dinner at which more than 250 employes and families attended. On hand to award plaques were P. D. Robinson (left) and M. A. Nugent, supt. of safety (extreme right). Recipients were Larry Hoyal (2nd from left), roundhouse foreman; P. W. Dornfield, trainmaster; John Marsh, roadmaster.

scratched out a 585 total in a bowling league in San Jose. His team is composed of four San Jose drivers and himself.

Southern District: Welcome to Richard Espinoza and Wayne Canham, dispatcher-clerks at South Gate, and to Walter Nixon, steno-clerk, Spring Street, Los Angeles. . . . Joseph Andrew, superintendent, South Gate, recently moved into his beautiful new home in Monterey Park. . . . Best wishes for a speedy recovery for Louis Klubeck, driver, who sustained a foot injury recently. . . . Congratulations to Charlie Powell, driver, Los Angeles. Charlie is new manager of Pacomia Little League Baseball Team. The team consists of boys between the ages of 8 and 10. The new manager says that he is certain that his team will win the championship for the 1955 season. . . . The district office was beautifully decorated with various types of flowers over Easter which were contributed by Earl Van Ostrand, district manager; Oscar Melsheimer, office manager, and Gene Agee, steno-clerk, Los Angeles.

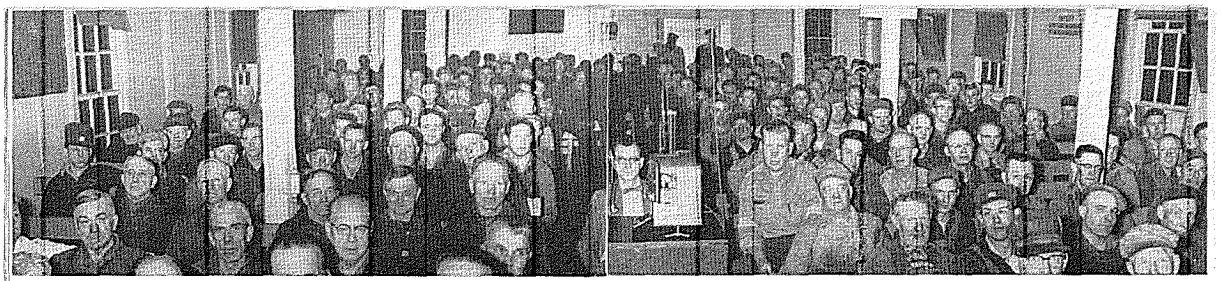
Eastern District: Bob Barnes, driver, Casa Grande, recently spent a few days at the SP Hospital, Tucson. He is back on the job and feeling better than ever. . . . Jim White, superintendent, Tucson, acted in a "skit" put on by his wife's sorority a few weeks ago. . . . Tucson was the first to report a 100 per cent participation in the recent Red Cross Drive conducted in the Eastern District.

Former Driver Elmer Caughron is taking over the foreman job at Yuma. . . . New faces around the district are: Roy Colbert, serviceman; Ray Hix, driver; and Johnny Cress, dispatcher-clerk. . . . Harold Griner, former Phoenix driver, is now a company clerk but not a PMT'er. He's with the U.S. Army in Nancy, France.

San Joaquin Division

Head Reporter: Walt Williams, Supt's Office, Bakersfield. Assistants: Charles Snook, Ruth Eiffler, Fresno; Elvin W. Smith, Edna LaGore, Hannah O'Brien, MofW Dept.; Don Parker (photographer), Bakersfield.

The eyes have it—that is the eyes in the new potatoes that are being moved off the division in carload lots. According to market quotations the growers and shippers have a very favorable outlook. Every year the quality is improving as well as the yield per acre. Within the next few weeks employes on this division will be pressed to keep those fresh spuds rolling. One of the biggest potato conventions ever held attracted over one thousand growers, packers, shippers, buyers, sellers, and transporta-



A LARGE TURNOUT IS ASSURED EACH MONTH WHEN INTERESTED OGDEN SHOP MEN ATTEND SELF-CONDUCTED SAFETY MEETINGS. (SEE SALT LAKE DIV. STORY, BEGINNING ON PAGE 8.)

tion men to a two-day conference held in Bakersfield, mapping out the production and marketing program for 1955. Problems of fast railway transportation and efficient refrigeration in transit, big factors in the success or failure of the selling program, were worked out. An honored guest and speaker was Secty. of Agriculture Ezra T. Benson. . . . E. T. Smith, chief clerk, Supt's Office, was a pleased papa when his daughter Marilyn participated in a program presented by the East Bakersfield High School modern dance section of Girls Recreation Association.

Engineer Bill Coffelt reported the SP Golf Tournament held at Brookside Golf Course, April 14 & 15, was conducted well and everyone had a great time. This month the SP Team from Los Angeles will play the Bakersfield Team on the Kern Country Golf Course located in uranium country about 7 miles east of Bakersfield. Some of the divot diggers may strike it rich. No penalty for carrying a geiger counter in your bag. . . . Fred Boden, retired clerk, former Mayor of Bakersfield, dropped in with a Swiss yodel and sheepherders hat affixed with a wild-looking feather. Sure nice to see him and see how well he looks. Living around the artists at Laguna Beach seems to agree with him. . . . George Carlson, former chief clerk, Supt's Office, now a Lt. Col. in the Army, was in to see former associates. He is now Chief of the San Francisco Port of Embarkation and Consolidated Supply Division. Geo. has served in India, Germany and various assignments in the United States. . . . Frank Kalbaugh, former assistant trainmaster on this Division, has submitted his resignation as manager of the government-owned Alaska Railroad. Stopped by on his way to Washington, D. C., and a lot of reminiscing took up the few minutes. The whale meat seemed to agree with Frank as we have never seen him looking better.

San Joaquin Divn. Locomotive Engineer W. H. Anderson has taken his pension after 35 years of service. During his entire career he has never experienced a reportable injury. . . . Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks held their 20th National Convention in Boston May 9. Lodge 45 on this division was represented by J. C. Ellis and L. A. Craver, delegate and alternate, respectively, both employed in the Fresno Freight Office. . . . Twenty-six children and six adults from the Seventh Day Adventist Parochial School rode the *Daylight* to Tehachapi after boarding train at Bakersfield and were met by their school buses for the return trip. . . . The employe credit unions both at Fresno and Bakersfield are doing real well and growing by leaps and bounds. . . . Welcome home to Fireman Alan Sprayberry and Machinist Apprentice Darrel McElrath, who returned from military service. . . . Winston Glenn, crew dispatcher, Bakersfield, and son of another crew dispatcher, Irvin Glenn, was recently home on leave from the Navy after serving a hitch in Korea. . . . Pleasant additions to the Supt's Office forces are Elden Smith in the Personal Record Dept. and Wanda Smith in the Steno Pool. . . . Best wishes to Scott W. Ryall, B&B clerk, in MofW Office who has retired. . . . Direct that beam of sunshine to Brakeman Warren Carr, who is convalescing, and Fresno Clerk George Hall, now home from the General Hospital.

CLIMAXING END OF A SUCCESSFUL WINTER SEASON, MEMBERS OF THE WOMEN'S SOUTHERN PACIFIC BOWLING LEAGUE ATTENDED ANNUAL BANQUET IN SAN FRANCISCO, APRIL 20.





ONE MORE NEEDED for a baseball team, says Paul Cottingham, conductor, Western Division, and father of 8 children. Names and ages of his attractive brood are (bottom row, l-r): Earle, 5; John, 4 in June; on Dad's lap, David 2½; in Mother's arms, Chuck, 11 months; Jane, 7; Paula, 6; (top row) Carl, 14; Susan, 9.

SD&AE Railway

Head Reporter: Floy Richmond.

Sorry to report the death of TPA Mamie Adler's brother, in San Francisco, on April 4th. . . . C. E. Knight, telegrapher, has been named local freight agent. . . . Mary E. McIlwaine's husband returned to San Diego on the aircraft carrier Shangri-La and expects to be in San Diego until June. . . . C. J. Wells, cashier, vacationed at home taking care of his chinchillas. . . . Estelle Yount, secy., Supt. Office, vacationed in Sacramento. . . . Muriel Hodgeman, steno., Supt. Office, and husband, Al, recently drove their sport car to Palm Springs for the races. . . . Welcome to Toni Perkins, doing vacation relief work at Supt's Office.

SD&AE safety meeting and family get-together was held in the Qualitee Dairy Auditorium, attended by 240 employes, their families and out of town guests. We were pleased to have M. A. Nugent of San Francisco and the following from Los Angeles with us: P. D. Robinson, George B. Hanson, J. H. Pruett, Jr., V. L. Arenth, James G. Shea, L. E. Fritter and O. R. Rogers. Supt. Carl Eichenlaub addressed the group and presented safety awards. The film "Report from Headquarters" was shown and entertainment was furnished by local SD&AE talent. A. Wyttenbach was master of ceremonies.

General Claims

Reporter: Bob Sherman. Assistant: Beverly Warrer, LA.

Congratulations! . . . to Statistical Clerk Elva Love, whose winning performance helped sweep her team on to victory in the SP Women's Bowling League . . . to Claims Agent Jim Turner, whose linguistic skill has enabled his potential blue-ribbon Boxer to obey his master's voice in two different languages, French and English . . . to Voucher Clerk Al Gambetti, who is again hale and hearty as ever, though minus his tonsils . . . to Stenographer Florence Whiting, who recently acquired her coveted US citizenship. . . . to Claims Agent Gene Ratzlaff, who just moved into his new dream home on the peninsula . . . to Claims Agent Barney Aguer, for his determination if not for his success in entering contests . . . to Stenographer Ena Rodrick, graduate of the University of London, who doesn't let a week go by without reading at least two or three books. . . . to Statistical

Clerk Mark Rader, whose carpentry skill is transforming his Sunset home into a work of art . . . to Clerk Floyd Duke who, unable to stand the cold any longer, turned his motorcycle in for a sedan (with heater).

Vice Pres. Office, N. Y.

Head Reporter: E. E. Conklin.

We are always pleased when retired fellow employes drop in to say "hello." Recent ones were former Bookkeeper L. M. Meeker and Clerk William Buchner during a visit to the Big City. . . . Another welcome visitor was R. G. Bodenlos, formerly of this office but now in San Francisco. . . . A generous helping of congratulations to J. M. Brown, head clerk; Nat Koltun, chief telegrapher, and Clerk Otto Schneeloch, on having served SP 35, 35 and 25 years, respectively. . . . The happy smile worn by Teller "Vic" J. Herold is because his son returned home with an honorable discharge from the Navy. . . . Another congratulatory bouquet for Carleton Conklin, son of Bookkeeper Earl Conklin, who received the coveted "God and Country Award" for outstanding work in his church in cooperation with the Boy Scouts program to promote reverence in the youth of America.

Sacramento Shops

Head Reporter: Jack G. Palermo, Supt. MP's Office, Sacramento.

A nine-week course is being taken by some 270 shopmen in fire fighting and rescue work as a part of the Civil Defense Program. Classes are held in the Sacramento Fire Training Tower. John R. Davidson, supervisor of foundry operations, is chairman of the group. . . . Winner of the deluxe television-radio at the recent Supervisor's Association dance was Miguel Gonzalez, blacksmith. . . . SP Club bowling league championship was cinched by the Sheet-metal Workers team, captained by Charles Waggoner. . . . SP Softball League started May 2 with eight teams.

Best wishes to the following who have been in Genl. Hospital: Angie Niebarger, shop clerk; Louie French and William Storch, millmen. . . . Best wishes to Pat Sandoval, car paint foreman, who retired May 1 after 43 years' service. . . . Departmental Foreman Lionel Walsh has bought a new home in River Park. . . . Letha Gowers, laborer, returned from a vacation in Texas and Louisiana. . . . Welcome to N. E. Johnson, who joined the Drawing Room force as a draftsman.

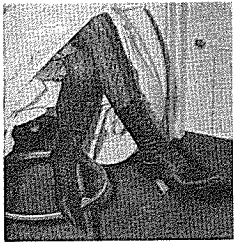
Dining Car Department

Head Reporter: D. D. Doig, San Francisco. Assistants: V. K. Jones, West Oakland; Walter Goertz, Oakland Pier; Douglas Christensen, LA.

Office of Manager: George Schultz, special assistant, returned from two weeks' vacation spent principally developing his home arboretum. . . . Dave Doig, special assistant, has assured himself and family of some pleasant future outings by taking delivery of a new station wagon.

West Oakland: Speedy recovery wished for Fritz Jorczik, steward, who has been in the Tucson Hospital. . . . Lois Stretz, commissary clerk, is packed and ready to leave on the European tour with the SP Club and will depart from Oakland Pier on the *Overland*. . . . Nice to see Jimmy Abrams, stewards desk clerk, and Roy Kroll, assistant butcher, back after being ill. . . . John Rudden, supervisor of food cost control, returned from three weeks' vacation spent at his home in Mountain View, getting everything in order for a future trip abroad. Louis Hippolyte, baker, vacationed in Jamaica.

Los Angeles: A speedy recovery wished for John Fields, Clermont Baker, Allen Cleveland, Thomas Cooper, Charles Denton, Jimmy Jones, Henry Neal, Jerry Olds, George Patin, Jesse Sassie, Charles Shelton and Charles Tinsley. . . . Among those enjoying recent vacations were Waiters Richard Tremmell, Lloyd Dunn, Paul Christophe, Warren Knox, Alex Porter and Reddie Abbot and Cooks Benny Benward, Blanchard Tucker and Eddie Dooley. . . . Sam Phillips and Wright Fillmore, instructing waiters, are to be commended for their efforts in ar-



TWENTY-THREE SKIDOO! These high lace dress shoes (believed to be early 1900 vintage) and black lace cotton stockings were found recently in Bakersfield attic. To see what the rest of the model looks like, turn to page 41.

ranging the recent Safety Meeting for the presentation of the President's Safety Award. It was an excellent evening well planned.

Shasta Division

Head Reporter: Marjorie D. Calloway, Supt's Office, Dunsmuir. Assistants: Ellen Kafer, R. D. Anderson, Gina George, Dunsmuir; Homer Bissell, Ashland; A. H. Sullivan, Klamath Falls; Harry Wilson, Alturas.

The girls in the Supt's Office were happy to receive a box of camellias sent up by former Accident Clerk Frances Gunn, now working on the Sacramento Division. . . . You have heard "What is a home without a mother?" According to Conductor J. A. "Tex" Harmon the same applies to a caboose when the radio is inoperative. . . . Telephone Operator Geneve Stenyem was just a little confused when she asked: "Is Mr. Supply riding the Slade train???" . . . MofW Clerk Helen Cochenour had a brainstorm, using sheep as lawnmowers —only no one explained to them the difference between grass, "asparagrass" and chives. . . . Some father-and-son combinations overlooked in last issue: Roundhouse Foreman N. Pratt and son R. N., accident clerk; the Olsen's, father D. Conductor, son Wayne J., brakeman; and son Harold G., fireman. . . . Head Timekeeper L. W. Barnes and Asst. Head Timekeeper R. F. Moore spent weekend at Big Lake fishing. . . . Car Clerk H. T. "Bobbie" Mane's daughter Mary and Cashier B. M. Coon's daughter, Barbara Ann, were presented with Grand Cross of Colors, earned through service in Rainbow, at convention in Los Angeles.

A railroad romance is that of Telegrapher Dixie Lee Story and Dispatcher H. T. Dempsey, who first became acquainted through hearing their voices on the telephone, met, liked what they saw and were married.

Engineers John Donovan and L. C. Stone are avid golfers. . . . Assistant Divn. Engineer A. D. DeMoss doesn't play taps for the Engineering Department with that bugle you see him packing around. He uses it in his business as a Scout Troop Leader. . . . Car Inspector L. C. Thompson was in to say "hello" and advised me he is going to retire soon. . . . Trainmaster J. L. Harrison has been having monthly meetings at Klamath Falls for all interested personnel wherein they discuss operations at that terminal.

Master Car Repairer M. F. Hawkins spent vacation in Arizona hunting rocks and Mexico eating frijoles. . . . Train Clerk C. M. Bailey has a new grandson.

The personnel in DR Office, Wire Chief E. A. Babcock, 1st Telegrapher PMO F. M. Busby and PMO Gerri Hughes, had their own private tent while B&B Painter A. B. Hollingsworth painted the ceiling of their office. . . . Shasta daisy to Roadmaster's Clerk H. W. Stoffel for his work with junior would-be hunters. "Stoff" started his classes in 1952 with 22 boys over 12 years of age and class has grown to 85 members, divided into three groups—33 under 12 years, 34 over 12 years and 18 working for their marksmanship medals. Marvin Hale, Jr., son of Yardmaster Hale, is president of the organization and a crack shot. The smallest member of the class is Engineer W. A. Hughes' daughter who isn't as big as the gun she shoots. . . . Asst. Chief Clerk C. E. Sirianni is back after stay in General Hospital. Clerk E. R. Asher and husband R. T., conductor, have been ill. . . . Motor Car Mechanic E. R. Benson spent vacation in San Francisco and Motor Car Mechanic S. A. Vollmers, Jr., vacationed in Berkeley, attending music festival. . . . A&WE Supervisor C. L. Haney was surprised with a birthday cake on April 6.

Western Division

Head Reporter: Alice Whitney, Oakland Pier. Assistants: Marjorie E. Perkins, 5th & Kirkham; Gladys Amick, Stockton; A. J. Rutherford, 16th St. Station; Dolores Serpas, Suisun; R. Tufveson, Berkeley; Phil J. Gartner, Richmond Transfer.

Stockton: A letter and snapshot from Fred A. Smith, retired Stockton chief dispatcher, shows us how much Fred is enjoying his retirement, fishing in Old Mexico. He plans to make a tour of the West Coast, Midwest, and East Coast in his trailer house before he chooses a permanent residence. . . . Telephone Operator Wilma Abraham transferred to Tucson, Ariz. Several of Wilma's associate workers honored her in the home of Mary Grogan on the eve of her departure. Mary retired from Telephone Service a few years ago. . . . New cars flashing around Stockton station are owned by Chief Dispatcher Marion T. House, Dispatcher James B. Putnam, Telegrapher Alva R. McElrath, Clerk Leonard C. Stitt and PMO Doris Foster. . . . Yardman W. R. Sparks retired recently and on hand to honor him were seven SP pensioners with a total service of 204 years.

Suisun: Vacations: Engineer Earl Probasco taking a trip back east and down through the Southern States on his way back. . . . Engineer Leigh V. Brink took it easy on his vacation. . . . W. S. Mech. Arnold Huyck spent his vacation down in Mexico. . . . Get well wishes to Engineer Jerrel E. Lee who has been in General Hospital.

Berkeley: Laborer Gerald Cameron was married to Merle Rivenbark on April 9. Had a few hair raising minutes while the groom and the best man, Foreman Joe Cameron, searched for the wedding ring, which was finally discovered nestling in the groom's pocket. Said Gerald: "I've heard of these things happening but I never thought it would happen to me."



BORN THE SAME DAY: Should Burt Knight (left) freight carman, Ogden, forget the birthday of his new daughter, he can check with his brother Wayne, freight carman helper, whose daughter was born on February 18 also.

5th and Kirkham Streets: Asst. Agent Allen G. Arno is a champion fisherman and has a beautiful trophy to prove it for catching the largest bass at his club. Trophy is on display at 5th and Kirkham Streets. . . . Clerk Phoebe Oaks has had a visit from her daughter and son-in-law. . . . Vacations: Chief Accountant William Peterson visited his son who is in the service in Yuma, Arizona. . . . Clerk Edna McKenzie visited relatives and friends in Denver, Colorado. . . . Blocker George Gibson visited in the East. . . . Assistant Cashier Joe Gallagher at home and various close places. . . . Messenger Fred Raphael spent his vacation in various places. . . . Clerk Raymond F. Yale retired after 43 years' service with the SP.

Richmond Transfer: Switchman Edgar Wilson has been assigned to umpire baseball games in the Tri-City league at Vallejo, Port Costa and Martinez. Mr. Wilson will do okay in calling balls and strikes as he sees them. He at one time was a star first baseman for the Crockett Sugar Baggs and known as "Up-the-hill Wilson." He is the son of Switchman Buck Wilson, Port Costa.

. . . Terminal Trainmaster's Clerk Louise Johnson has returned from sick leave spent at the home of her parents in Clovis, New Mexico. . . . Glen Uric, clerk, who was elected as governor of Richmond Moose Lodge, comes from a long line of SP railroaders. His father, J. L., is a conductor, Western Div., his uncle, W. D. Mainland, is agent at Fowler, San Joaquin Div., and his grandfather, G. W. Uric and his uncle, O. V. Shedenhelm, are both SP pensioners.

Superintendent's Office: Clerk Lonita Norris, formerly pass clerk, Western Division, now working in the Master Car Repairer's Office, Sacramento, paid her old friends a visit and we were all glad to see her. . . . The many old timers on the Western Division will remember former General Car Foreman Edward Pendergast who retired from the Southern Pacific Company at Sacramento as master car repairer, and will be interested in learning that on April 14 he celebrated his 84th birthday and his and Mrs. Pendergast's 60th wedding anniversary. . . . Steno Clerk Ginger Kitts was telling us her son caught two sand sharks, with ten babies, which they donated to the schools for science study; also he brought home a 50 lb. sting-ray. Oh, these many surprises for mothers with boys! . . . Clerks Bob Wilson, Alice Whitney and Ginger Kitts have returned to the Supt's Office after assignments elsewhere.

Happy to have Lease Agent Herbert Spencer back after a sojourn in the General Hospital, SF. He is looking trim and well. . . . It was nice to see Clerk Myrtle Schultz around the office saying howdy and looking so well. . . . Get well wishes to Mail Messenger John Souza, Stationmaster Lloyd Morrow, Master Car Repairer D. M. Poor, Steno Clk. Rose Krafthefer, Steno Clk. Barbara Williams and Blue Printer Ella McKay. . . . Welcome to new Telegrapher Clerks Tony Rocha, Rudy Renfandt, Harvey Weinreich and Nicholas Kass; Clerk Steno to Asst. Term Supt. Robert Kearney and Trainmaster's Clerk William E. Ruiz. . . . Brakeman Elmer Reed is back after his serious accident and feeling fine. . . . Steno Clerk Max Wright, Chief Dispatcher's Office, has returned from sick leave and we are glad to have him back. . . . Relief Manager Wire Chief J. W. Parness is back after sick leave. . . . Cost Analyst Clarence Gerhardt has been promoted to Estimator. . . . Jack Whitley has returned to the General Office after working as fieldman on Western Division.

Vacations: Asst. Accident Clerk Diane Desin and husband visited Death Valley, Las Vegas, Hoover Dam, Sequoia National Park, Yosemite and Angels Camp, driving their new station wagon. . . . Telegrapher William Lowry stayed near home. . . . There is extensive renovating going on in the Superintendent's Office and by all indications the results will be both convenient and attractive. . . . The Western Division is planning its Family Safety Night on May 27 at Roosevelt Junior High School in Oakland, the theme of which will be Carnival Night. Attractions will be a Safety Queen Contest, a stage show of vaudeville acts and many fine door prizes.

General Stores

Head Reporter: Jim Warwood, SF. Assistants: Phil Burks and John Rhoads, Sacto; John Diaz, Geo. Gerichten, West Oakland; Edythe Flood, El Paso; Leo Keller, Brooklyn; Elsie Spinks, F. I. Edwards, LA.

Sacramento: Alma Ellis, Ogden Caboose supplyman, has returned to work after several months' illness. . . . Joseph Roberts, crane engineer, is planning to build his own home. . . . Edwin Urry, stockman's assistant, has been ill. . . . William Hunger, store foreman, and John Rhoads, section stockman, landed big salmon on recent fishing trip. . . . Frank and Berneice Kenealy, tracer clerk and general foreman's clerk, vacationed in Las Vegas. . . . When Clarence "Porky" Pine, former chief clerk at Sacramento, was promoted to materials control supervisor in the Purchasing Dept., SF, he was honored at a testimonial banquet given by his many friends. Walter Perkins, former chief clerk at LA, has replaced Pine. . . . Eva Carrera, purchase bill clerk, has bought a new home. . . . Good to see James Alvared and Richard LeBoulanger back from military service. . . . Mabel Gillen-



JACKPOT WINNER: Look closely and you'll see William "Boe" Birdzell, dictatypist, Freight Claims Dept., SF. (He's the one wearing the tie.) Picture was taken just prior to Boe's departure for Hollywood, where last month he appeared on Groucho Marx's television-radio program, and with his partner, won $1020.

waters, price clerk, has returned to work after her recent hospitalization.

Los Angeles: Welcome to Lawrence Johnson, requisition typist. . . . Speedy recovery wished for Helper Leroy Klaus who has been in the Tucson hospital. . . . Good to see Oscar McConaughy, foreman, back after his recent illness. . . . Sympathy to Odilion Vaiz, janitor, in the loss of his brother.

San Francisco: Joe Valdez, Jr., correspondence clerk, with his wife and three daughters, spent his vacation visiting his grandparents amidst the snow and ice of the Colorado Rockies. They had quite an experience, got their car stuck in the snow at the 12,000 ft. elevation. . . . Walter Fraker, Jr., junior clerk, spent his vacation quietly in SF enjoying the local scenes. . . . George Hinton, asst. gen. storekeeper, was on Budda's breakfast program from the Cliff House recently and from all reports he sounded real "George."

West Oakland: Sympathy to Genevieve Ross, commsy price clerk, in the recent loss of her husband. . . . Happy to welcome back Edwin Romero, laborer, who has returned from military service. . . . Manuel Dias, Jr., reliefman, recently enlisted in the Air Force. . . . That flash that we see now and then is only Report Clerk Rose Vidakovich riding around in her new streamlined car. . . . Enjoying an early vacation at home were Richard Reis, laborer; Floyd Connett, chief of lumber operations; Elaine Phal, steno, and Maria Sokolowska, typist. . . . Get well wishes to Harry French, asst. foreman; William Racicot, lead painter, and Fernando Gutierrez, cabinet maker, all of West Oakland Mill. . . . Harbinger of Spring: The Southern Pacific Stores Baseball Team opened its 29th consecutive year of semi-pro baseball on April 3, under the very able guidance of its manager, George Gerichten, diesel storekeeper.

Tucson Division

Head Reporter: Leroy Magers, Supt's Office, Tucson. Assistants: Evelyn Hunter, Ruth Love, Tucson; Paige Foreman, Nogales; Nadine Ingersoll, Phoenix.

Though we are now 75 years old (SP in Tucson, not me), things are going along about the same. In fact, the older we get the better we are (still speaking of SP). . . . Ray (Moore) Drehobl, brakeman who plays lots of golf, had a pleasant reunion recently with Johnny Devaunch, former Irish amateur heavyweight champion. Drehobl was a national Golden Gloves heavy champion in 1929-30, when he fought for the US team and kayoed Devaunch at Chicago. . . . Vernon A. Davis, who was in the Accounting Department on this division before it was moved to San Francisco many years ago, died at his



WHEN THE CALL CAME for volunteers to join Civil Defense classes, these folks from the Sacramento Division were among the first to sign up. Shown are men from Store Dept., Freight Office, and Transportation Department. Many SP employes along various Division points are signing up for these important classes.

home in Tucson March 18. Charley Holmes, who transferred to SF with Davis, came down for the funeral.

MofW Clerk Cleon Bays, Steno Jackie Stewart, Cost Analyst John Allshouse, *Estimator Bill Buckley, Chief Clerk to* Division Engineer Barney Underwood, Draftsman Bob Doran and Trainmaster's Clerk Ruth Love are enrolled in a conversational Spanish class at Tucson High Night School. As near as we can figure after some weeks they are adept at saying "Sud dc Pacifico Ferrocarril." Seems they all can say "Si" or shake their heads "No" at almost any question asked.

Loss and Damage meeting was held in Tucson with Agent H. M. Hale as Chairman. Among subjects discussed was loading LCL shipments of lengthy aluminum or galvanized vent pipe. It was agreed that pipe of this kind must be loaded so as not to be damaged by other freight, tying when necessary to sides of car or van.

Messengers Lillie Parish and Ernestine Ponath are back after leave. . . . John E. Stratton, retired loader, and his wife recently celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. John is a frequent visitor at Phoenix Freight House. . . . Another pensioner who drops in to see *us quite often is Andy Jamieson, former* station accountant, Phoenix Freight. Understand Andy plans a visit to his home state of Minnesota. . . . Sympathy to Milo Root, claim clerk, and family, in the death of his father-in-law.

Phoenician Lodge, BofRC, held a picnic for employes and families April 17 at South Mountain Park. Asst. Cashier Burton H. Moore was chairman. . . . Connie Lopez and Beatrice Alvarez from Los Angeles Freight Office paused to visit while en route to Mazatlan.

Salt Lake Division

Head Reporter: Hugh F. O'Neil, c/o Supt., Ogden. Assistants: R. E. Stephens (photographer), Ogden; Caryl Wilbur, Sparks; Owen E. Rouse, Ogden; Mary Puccetti, Reno; Mary Dae Fisher, Carlin.

Brakeman J. T. Alword has entered military service; Brakeman Nick Garro and Machinist Helper J. Ranson have returned. . . . Lafe Sharar was elected chaplain, and Don Lezer trustee of the BofRC. . . . Ogden SP Old Timers Club will visit Las Vegas over Memorial Day. A trip to Hoover Dam is included. Stanley W. Shaw is excursion chairman. . . . Jim Gunnarson, Gilbert Hess and Ed Johansen arranged the SP Bowling League annual banquet at Ogden May 13. . . . Trainmaster J. J. Henderson presided at the division loss and damage meeting at Sparks in March.

Owen Rouse showed "Report from Headquarters" at the April meeting of the Order of St. Christopher. . . . The Roy Kiwanis Club featured the SP Male

MAKING FINAL ARRANGEMENTS for SP *Family Night at Sacramento are* (l-r) Nicolas LaFranco, pres., SP Local Federation; R. A. Miller, *supt.; Hob Ferguson,* director; Frank Toccalini, secretary, SP Local Federation.



Chorus at a concert in March. . . . Timekeeper Delia Malan picked Boston for her vacation. . . . Assistant Chief Clerk Clarence H. Johnson, Steno Raydel Cobia and Clerk Orville Pilcher bought new homes.

IBM Operator Mona Mueller has a new TV set. . . . Clerk Dena Saunders, Steno Eva Ruzzi, Carmen E. L. Lindley and J. E. Barnes, Conductor J. B. Marberger, *Apprentice Melvin Turner*, Baggageman Joe Weaver and Machinist J. M. Slauson have been on our sick list. . . . The minister of education from Iran was a dinner guest of Section Stockman Tom Van Drimmelen on March 25. Other guests included Clerk Dena Saunders and Secretary Faye Van Drimmelen. Tom's son, Robert, is presently a teacher in Iran under the Point Four program of the State Department.

A hearty welcome to new employes: Assistant Signalman E. L. Brown, Apprentice J. L. DeGroot, Laborer M. L. Hedin, Helper Charles W. White, and Rodman G. W. Galletti. . . . Head File Clerk G. A. Gillette, Timekeepers William Woolsey and Vincent Thiel, PR Clerk Hazel Forbes, Bond Clerk Ida Smith, Clerk Harold J. Webb, Engineer E. E. Grimes, Chemist Marion Brown, and Messenger Barbara Van Winkle, all of Supt's Office, can be heard boasting of the qualities of their new cars. . . . Leland S. Schaub is new president, Nile W. Harbertson, vice-president, and Jack Edwards, secretary, of the American Railroad Technical Employes. . . . *Dr. D. C. Barker* returned from military service and resumed practice as district physician at Ogden.

Engineer George N. Fowler attended the Mardi Gras at New Orleans. . . . SP Club annual outing will be held at Lagoon August 13. Plans are now in the making for this to be the biggest and best picnic ever held on this division. . . . Clerks in Superintendent's Office held a smorgasbord dinner-dance in April and Norma Dellamore and U. F. Kearl were responsible for its success. . . . Newly elected officers of the Railroad Supervisors Association are Roscoe Allen, president; John D. Church, vice president; A. K. Sullivan, secretary; H. J. London, chairman; Clyde Coleman, vice chairman; and J. I. Gunnarson and H. S. Wade, trustees.

Congratulations to Hugo Mueller, promoted to electrician foreman. . . . Ogden International Association of Machinists elected Leon Felt, president; Joseph Wedell, vice president; D. L. Forsgren, *recording secretary*; W. L. *Bennett*, financial secretary; C. M. Webber, treasurer; M. L. Turner, sentinel; O. K. Carr, conductor; J. L. Sherman, William Staker, and E. W. Larson, trustees; and Earl Knoder, Robert Gay, and Fred Purin, shop committee.

General Office

Aud. Frt. Accts., Des Sekany.

The second annual Freight Accounts office Golf tournament will be held this month at the Hillview Country Club in San Jose. Defending champion Sal La Conde will be hard pressed by Fred Hoffman, *last year's medalist, and Lloyd* Darnell. . . . Al Antone, gov't. bur., vacationed in Minnesota, Illinois and New York, while Frankie Hubby, tracing

bur., visited her former home in the Lone Star State. . . . June Kluepfer, misc. bur., revisited Phoenix, Arizona, and environs. . . . Harvey Hancocks is sporting a new car. . . . We were happy to welcome Mary King back after her long illness and Julie Hruska, overcharge bur., who has recovered from injuries received while skiing.

Genl. Passenger, SF. Head Reporter: D. E. Wright.

At recent dinner meeting of the American Association of Passenger Rate Men, Golden West Region, Herman A. Nelson, auditor of passenger accounts, explained the purpose and use of the new government transportation request forms to many interested members and guests. . . . Mabel Hardin, personal clerk to GPA T. L. Chess, reports he spent the first day of his Hawaiian vacation attending a Lions Club meeting at Honolulu. . . . L. J. Marshall owns a new large screen TV set and, according to a friend, "has more screen than living room." . . . Conrad Muller, rate bureau, has been on sick leave and his many friends join in wishing him a speedy recovery. . . . Paul Winkler and Ernie Siemer, claims bureau, are ardent gardeners; while C. I. Richardson and Bill Olds are just as ardent shutterbugs. Paul is thinning out his rose garden by laying some brick walks which don't have to be pruned! With Spring here, Elsie Roush says her hobby is golf, and her favorite course is Crystal Springs.

Among our theatre devotees are Richard and Alice Phillips and John and Mrs. Plummer. . . . Ann Coleman, who retired some time ago, was a recent visitor. . . . Arthur Anderberg is a new member of the record bureau staff. . . . Charlie Knightstep has finally solved the falling leaf problem in his garden—the offending greenery was removed. . . . Helen Tait, Muriel and Jerry Miller, and Sue and Roy Weiler attended the Motorama—all were enthusiastic about the many attractive displays. . . . Dorothy Miller, of our Oakland office, Bob and Mrs. Cunningham and many others attended the SP Club retirement dinner honoring Harry Langheldt, who has been club tour director.

Dist. Passenger, SF: Leland Lea accompanied the Shrine directors special train to Atlanta, Georgia. . . . Nell Seagrave is settled in her new apartment. . . . Roy and Mrs. Jarman visited their two daughters in Yuba City. . . . C. D. Farrar is out of the hospital. . . . Kenny Swan traveled east on his recent vacation.

Reservation & Service Bureau, SF: Ray and Carol Morgan spent their vacation at home in Menlo Park. . . . Violet Gonion spent some time with friends in Colma. . . . Leo Crandall vacationing in Provo, Utah—his son is graduating from Brigham Young University. . . . Helen Coppinger entertained relatives passing through en route to Hawaii. . . . Patricia MacPherson joined the ranks of new car owners. . . . Steve Bennett was given life membership by the California Council of Dads Clubs for his outstanding work with school boys in his community.

Ferry Ticket Office, SF: Ivy Jankovich and Wilmer Davis made public their marriage which took place some time ago. . . . Alberta Lorenzini visited the Pacific Northwest on her recent vacation.

General Passenger, Oakland: Jack Roche lost his car radio one night and the next night the thief returned and tried to remove the antenna, too. Incidentally, Jack lives only a block or so from the local police station.

City Ticket Office, Oakland: Robert E. McGee has been appointed city ticket agent.

FPM&SS, Walter A. Witt and Jack Mullen.

"Las Vegas was great!" exclaimed Head File Clerk C. J. Richards after vacationing there recently. . . . Other vacationers were Freight Inspector G. O. Meyer, who visited Placerville, Virginia City and Reno, and staying at home in San Carlos was Impact Register Clerk J. B. Scharf. . . . Tips on the finer points of bowling may be obtained from Statistical Clerk J. P. O'Connell, K. G. Crowley, OS&D Clerk, or File Clerks R. L. Phipps and J. F. Brocklage—reports are that they are a "mean" foursome on the alleys! . . . Confined to the hospital recently were Statistical Clerk



SAFETY AWARDS were presented to Portland Park Street Freight Station employes (above) and to Sacramento Freight Station for having no reportable accidents in 1954. At right Charles Calagne, clerk (left) Sacto Frt. Sta., who accepted the plaque from Asst. Gen. Mgr. W. D. Lamprecht. In background is S. A. Fisher, Sacto freight agent.



Mrs. E. V. Clark and R. L. Morford, Sr., OS&D clerk. . . . Good to have F. DeGrace back after being on the sick list. . . . In practically no time at all George Greenwood promoted himself to president of the SP Co. at the SP Club Dinner on April 13. George, of course, was referring to his presidency of SP *Club*; nevertheless, the *faux pas* was good for a hearty laugh and a round of applause.

Aud. Pay Roll Accts., Geneva Alves.

Recently welcomed was James Conard of miscellaneous bureau. . . . Laura Vetter is thrilled by transfer of her son Dwaine, of the Army Air Force, from Mississippi to Merced. . . . Glad to welcome back Milton (Spike) Jones from duty with the Army in Germany. . . . Frank Feeney and family spent a weekend in Reno and Squaw Valley. So did Willie (Kingfish) Anderson, who enjoyed skiing. . . . Daniel Frost, timekeeping supervisor, is anticipating his retirement in July. . . . W. F. McBrayer, asst. chief clerk, spent his vacation relaxing at home. . . . Best of luck to Joe Politz, who answered the call to duty in the Army.

Freight Claims: Jack Nugent, SF; Don Millard, L.A.

Goldie Fifield spent a vacation in Texas and Las Vegas. . . . Elsa Dunster hurt her leg quite badly and was out for several days. . . . Heather Bridges sprained her wrist. . . . Oliver Straub at this writing was starting a terrific vacation trip to Washington, D.C., New York City, Boston and other points. . . . Hazel Lawler also took a vacation trip to New York. . . . Boe Birdzell has been promoted up a notch to dictatypist; ditto Vickie Riner who was promoted to calculator-operator. . . . Edgar Brath and Frank Heaton are new members of Freight Claims Dept. and this column welcomes them. . . . Bill Kappelman's in-laws from England will be visiting Bill and his wife for a month or so. This is the first time that Bill will be meeting his wife's folks.

Motive Power Dept., Ken MacGregor.

Early vacationers staying close to home were George Boden, Bill Atkinson and John Krmpotic. . . . Jim Martin spent a few days at Mazatlan, Mexico. . . . Nancy Blake was surprised on April 15, when a baby shower was held for her in the Tea Room. Many beautiful gifts were received for the baby. Attending the shower were Octavia McDermott, Mildred Paterson, Lee Ann Hull, Nancy Nelson, Lee Hocker, Marjorie Millett, Betty Faulkner, Tate Evans, Betty Messier, Ann McGuire, Dorothy Nicholas and Alberta Ruef.



WINNING BOWLERS in the recently completed SP League in San Francisco were the "Daylight" and "City of SF" teams in their respective divisions. On "Daylight" team (top) which won championship playoff, (l-r) Larry Reppeteau, Hal Fink, M. O. Leonhart, capt., Roy Flesh, Jim O'Connell. "City of SF" team (lower) included Bob Johnson, Wally Shell, Dick Futrell, capt., Frank Calder, Bob Doebert. O'Connell led 111 bowlers with season average of 177.

. . . Len Schuster, recently retired, and Ed Mohr, now with PFE, have dropped by the office to see their many friends. . . . Harold Penn, draftsman, has transferred to Los Angeles General Shops, and Neil Johnson, draftsman, to Sacramento General Shops. . . . Jim Bannatyne is happy to have his sister and her family back from Germany. . . . A very speedy recovery to Eliot Pope presently in the Gen'l. Hospital and also to Bob Booker who recently had an operation. . . . Welcome Harry Connor to steno bureau and Herb Robles to file room. . . . Sympathy to Lee Ann Hull in the passing of her father, and Bill Darby in the passing of his father.

Asst. Pass. Accts., Norma Rawlings.

Ed Nevins has a new title to add to his collection: national vice president, American Association of Passenger Ratemen. Steve Holland was elected regional president of the Golden West in the same association. Congratulations and best wishes to both. . . . Flowers adorning many desks in the IBM room are a result of Rose McIntyre's latest hobby. Rosie has been bitten by the gardening bug and it is paying off in pretty posies. . . . Al Williams paid us a visit and looked pretty sharp as result of his life as a retired railroader. . . . Yolanda Burke dashing around and telling all she is feeling lots better. . . . It was "baby day" when Joyce Jones and Leda Kreiger brought their offspring in to show the babies mothers' former place of employment. . . . Pat Minehan was on the committee with Lorna Alvord, Joan Sears and yours truly as models at the annual SP Luncheon and Fashion Show at the Huntington Hotel.

General Freight, SF

Dinner party given Marcella Snell on her retirement was a gala occasion. Informality and good fellowship prevailed as officers and fellow-employes pitched in to fittingly celebrate her long service with the Company. . . . "Here today, there tomorrow" best describes Ward Crick's activities as he flits hither and yon with our exceedingly energetic boss. GFTM H. Klein is running them a close second. . . . Carol Machol Wagner's hubby has already purchased cigars for a soon-expected event. . . . The Howard Sisters is not a singing act, but a pair of lovely twins who have transferred from Northern District to cast their lot with us. "Lot" seems quite appropriate as they've been having difficulty locating an apartment with necessary real estate to accommodate their dog.

Roy Bellesen of the Agricultural Desk will really get first-hand knowledge while putting in a temporary hitch in the Bakersfield area during the potato season. . . . The "new look" is taking shape as Train Service Bureau is being refurbished. Next to femmes elegant, a turret-top phone cabinet is an important attraction. . . . Al Skare took a short cut toward getting back his boyish figure. Medicos successfully overhauled him and he'll come a runnin' to his job real soon. . . . Harry Garben is lumbering through travel folders and language dictionaries. There is a strong suspicion Secretary Dulles has asked him to go to Europe to strengthen ties with the West. . . . Reports have it Ed Larson is rapidly acquiring a "Halvahd" haccent.

Coast Division

Head Reporter: Robert J. Conley, Supt's Office, SF. Assistants: Clyde Evans, Supt's Office; Paul Mundt, 4th & Berry Local Freight; Fred Romani, Bayshore Shops; Hilda Lowrence, San Jose; Sally Jones, San Luis Obispo; Ralph J. Peterson, Watsonville Jct.

Superintendent's Office: The bright green incandescence that illuminated the area on St. Patrick's Day was not, contrary to popular belief, from "outer space." It was only Roy Flesh decked out in his traditional St. Patrick's Day garb consisting of a bright green derby with matching shirt, tie, and socks topped off with a chartreuse boutonniere. . . . A hearty welcome back to Henrietta Whitfield who has been on sick leave for over a year. . . . Joe Gagen has returned from an extended sick leave. . . . Jane Garcelon has been on vacation. . . . V. D. Landon, electrical supervisor, vacationed in Texas. . . . Vince Kuehlman spent his two weeks in Southern California. . . . Bob Conley vacationed at Carmel and Russian River. . . . Virginia Brigham underwent an appendectomy, and we're glad to hear she's doing fine. . . . Congratulations on the following promotions: Larry Anderson to the Chief Engineer's office, and Lou Peters to the office of the General Superintendent of Transportation.

Fourth and Berry: Louise Armistead, import clerk at Drumm St. Office, is a contestant for Softball Queen of 1955. . . . Members of the Pacifica Club met at the home of Mary Thompson recently. A short business meeting preceded the festivities of the evening. . . . The Together-Again-Club held semi-annual dinner April 28. . . . Frank McCabe proudly announced the other day that he is the godfather of the John Hannons' third child, a boy. John was formerly employed at Fourth and Berry. . . . Arthur Pallas is letting dust gather on his golf clubs. Jack Dullea and a few of the others have tried vainly to get Art on the golf course. Art implied that anybody who gets up at 5:30 a.m. on a week-end to hit a little ball around doesn't have long for this world.

Another of our gentlemen farmers is suffering from backache blues. George Marcus has been asking if there is any liniment in the medicine cabinet. . . . Pensioner Jim Tice dropped in the office the other day to say hello to his friends. Sympathy to Bobby Juckes on the death of his father, who had retired from the service of the Southern Pacific last year. . . . Mary Fitzgerald, Birdie Fitzgerald, and Vera Routbort are on their vacations. . . . Alma Naylor has taken a month's leave of absence. . . . Bill Smith has been in the General Hospital for a general check up. . . . Margaret Hanley proudly announces that she has become a grandmother.

Bayshore Area: The many friends and co-workers of Thomas "Babe" Chiotti, machinist, were saddened by his death recently after a lengthy illness in General Hospital. Our sympathies to his brother Mike, tender truckman in roundhouse. . . . Among those attending testimonial dinner for Harry Langheldt, retired SP Club Tour Director, were several SP Club representatives and their guests and also John B. Riene and wife. John and Mrs. Riene accompanied Harry on his Alaska Tour a few years back. . . . Speedy recovery is wished for James Bennett, sheet metal worker. . . . Roy Young, electrician, participated in the SP Golf Tournament at Modesto. . . . Machinist Foreman James Hickey and wife, Dorothy, of Master Mechanic's office are enjoying their new TV set.

Vacationists: Machinists B. Skagfiord, E. Hamilton, F. Winslow, J. Garay; Pipefitters V. Bane and R. Buechnev; Blacksmith Welder Bob Ferrai who practiced to better his golf game and William Gannon, electrician, who did a little prospecting in the Sierras. . . . John Narchesi, carman, was elected secretary-treasurer of the Joint Protective Board of the BRCofA. . . . William Gannon is Chairman of PTA committee organizing new troop No. 15 of Boy Scouts of America at John Gill School in Redwood City. William's son, Billy, is a charter member.

Peninsula Area: Social get-together



OUTSTANDING HOMEMAKER of Buttonwillow is Anne Craig, wife of Agent D. W. Craig, San Joaquin Div., who received title as result of answers given in entry questionnaire, a personal interview, and tempting qualities of her cake.

dinner at Belmont was successfully directed by Agent H. W. Hannibal. The Chuckwagon feed brought members all the way from San Francisco and Castroville. Jim Whitehead was master of ceremonies. General ORT Officers I. S. Wilson and H. D. Smith attended the dinner. Highlight of the evening was a showing of the SP film "This is Your Railroad."

Monterey Area: E. B. Dickie spent a week of his vacation in Tucson. . . . Melvin O. Johnson of the Car Dept. has returned to his duties after doing four years with Uncle Sam in the Air Force. . . . Harry G. Garlock has returned to work as a car inspector after a lengthy leave of absence due to illness. . . . Larry Gilkison, night car foreman, has returned to work after an interesting vacation. Gilkison has a boat and is quite an enthusiastic fisherman; the first few days of his vacation were spent taking his various friends out, including yardmasters, car foremen, operators and clerks. His seven year old son steered the boat. . . . L. E. Butler, roundhouse foreman, was laid up with a bad case of poison oak. . . . Howard Pearson, Car Department, spent his vacation in Reno. . . . F. O. Tory, L. E. Fletcher and Ray Scudder, car inspectors, enjoyed early vacations.

The early beet season is in full swing over at Spreckels and the Car Dept. has their usual crew there working seven days a week. . . . Ann Clay, chief telephone operator, Watsonville Jct., attended the State Bowling Convention held in San Diego and returned with high honors. . . . Mrs. Wm. Gelzinnus, wife of roadmaster, also rolled a good score. . . . A. D. Proctor, telegrapher, Paso Robles, was a very lonesome person waiting for his wife to return from San Salvador where she visited relatives.

The large fish in the Moss Landing Harbor near Watsonville are keeping a sharp eye out for B. T. Tanner, hostler helper, Watsonville Jct., and A. I. Blasinggame, retired car inspector, for both have a 31 lb. bass to their credit. . . . N. L. Godbout, acting agent, Watsonville Jct., is sporting a new Calif. tie for men, a four corner affair. . . . C. Hays, clerk, Monterey, is convalescing at home in Monterey after several months' illness in the General Hospital.

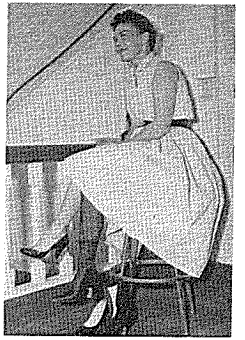
San Luis Obispo Area: Reopening of the clamming area between Pismo Beach and Oceano, after having been closed for five years, really gave our boys an incentive for braving that cold water. Apparently there were plenty of clams to go round for the thousands of diggers who flocked to Pismo, since we haven't heard of anybody who did not get the limit. . . . Mary Vasquez, cashier in freight office, will make sure she doesn't bask on the beach too long in the future—that sunburn was really a dilly. . . . Rod Rodrigues and Frank Claassen from the yard office really had themselves a vacation in Mexico City, Mazatlan, Guaymas and other cities south of the border. . . . Sallie Jones recently attended a family reunion in San Francisco at which 40 of her relatives were present. . . . Conductor E. W. Linebarger and Fireman A. N. Mosher have been ill.

Some very interesting Careful Car Handling Meetings were held in San Luis Obispo and the new "Telavue" plexiglass car, accompanied by John Strickland and Tom Fante of the FPM &SS Dept., was used to demonstrate what happens to contents of cars when overspeed impacts occur. This unusual demonstration attracted a great deal of interest and was viewed by employes from many different departments. . . . Glad to welcome back F. W. Daebel, first telegrapher clerk, Guadalupe, after a long illness. . . . E. E. Estes, ticket clerk, Guadalupe, vacationed in Oregon. . . . J. E. James, relief telegrapher, Guadalupe, had a wonderful vacation trip to Seattle; Fidalgo Island in the San Juan Group; Vancouver, B. C.; San Diego and Tiajuana, Mex. . . . Jim Burnett, popular young student agent at Guadalupe, finished his training period on March 31. . . . Mac McCormick, telegrapher, Guadalupe, is getting gear and players all ready, hoping to make his middle baseball league team a championship team this year. They were second last year.

Rio Grande Division

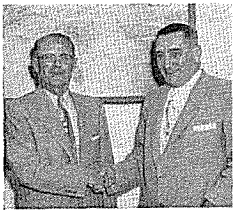
Head Reporter: Tona Prewitt, Supt's Office, El Paso. Assistants: Juana Haight, Douglas; Paul Humphries, Lordsburg; Julia Hassman, Deming; Helen R. Nowell, Carrizozo; Lucie E. Wright, Al Bouchard (photographer), Tucumcari; C. W. Vance and R. D. Stedman, El Paso.

Phyllis, wife of Yardman Jack Davis, Tucumcari, was elected District sweetheart of the Epsilon Sigma Alpha Sorority, and became eligible to enter a state-wide contest in Las Vegas, New Mexico. . . . Yardman Dean Shockley and wife, Clerk Joy Shockley, of Tucumcari vacationed in California. . . . Engineer Bert Shotwell and Yardman David Cunningham have been in Tucson Hospital. . . . A large number of employes in Tucumcari and El Paso enjoyed the "Family Night Meetings" conducted by Hob Ferguson. All are looking forward to his return this fall. . . . T&NO-SP Athletic Association has entered a softball team in the Industrial League. . . . Steno Katy Ryan, Head File Clerk Pat Snoddy, Station Clerk Jack Langston, Material Clerk F. L. Banks, Steno Jane Hewitt, and Extra Clerk Jewel Michna have returned to duty after being on sick leave.



HERE'S THE REST OF HER! Doris Wirt, steno, Bakersfield Car Distributor's Office, perched prettily on a stool, modeled the old-fashioned shoes and stockings on page 30.

Accident Clerk C. R. Rolison and his wife vacationed in Arizona. Extra Clerk Eddie Cain relieved Rolison. . . . Sixty-one 11th and 12th grade students, accompanied by two teachers, were taken from the depot to Alfalfa Yard, and return. A Pullman car with upper and lower berths made, and a roomette with bed made, were furnished in addition to one of our best conventional type coaches. Agent Beavin of Pullman Company explained the advantages of traveling by Pullman while Asst. Terminal Superintendent Cody explained why so many people travel by coaches, and what our streamlined coaches afford. . . . Other visitors were 11 Boy Scouts, who were interested in viewing the cab of a diesel engine, and in the operation of the yard. Aboard a diesel engine, functions of the various controls were explained to them, then they were taken to the yardmaster's tower, where yard



ACCIDENT-FREE RECORD was enjoyed by Genl. Yardmaster Robt. Adduddell (left), who retired after 40 years' service. At right is W. E. Eastman, supt., San Joaquin Division.

operation was explained. They were very enthusiastic over the courtesies shown them, and asked to see the film "This Is My Railroad," which will be shown to them.

Sacramento Division

Head Reporter: John A. Collins, Supt's Office, Sacramento. Assistants: Margaret Wocst, Chico; Madelon Huber, Bill Birdsall, Roseville; Mannie Viera, Freight Station; T. J. Vicari (photographer), Pauline Hutson, Engineering Dept., Sacramento; Eloise Spencer, Gerber; Jean Lischeid, Supt's Office, Sacramento; Berenice Hall, DTB.

Sacramento: Excellent agents' meetings were held recently, one at Sacramento, genial S. A. Fisher as host and chairman, another at Chico with Agent J. R. Powers as chairman. The meetings were well attended, and the agents enjoyed this opportunity of renewing personal acquaintances with their fellow agents. The camellia table decorations at Sacramento were noteworthy, and Chico's decorations were a preview of Easter. An added attraction at the Sacramento meeting was the birthday cake presented to J. N. Sherbourne of FPM &SS. . . . Employes and families enjoyed "Family Night," April 11 at Roseville and April 12 at Sacramento. One of the highlights was the talk by Hob Ferguson, who is well known for his work in human relations.

Ruth Ann Clark, clerk, MofW Dept., came back from the Railway Business Women's District Conference at Denver enthusiastic about the conference, and her trip by *Overland*. . . . Nice to see Evelyn Smith back from a wonderful vacation in Oregon with her family. . . . Good news is that Mary Wade, messenger, Telegraph Office, is convalescing after having been in General Hospital. . . . Accident Clerk Rubin Perry spent a weekend in Dunsmuir with his family on his father's 77th birthday. . . . Pass Clerk "Gene" Nethcrton is anxiously awaiting results of his bar examination. . . . Steno Lola Landerman is proud of the new addition to the family—a puppy. . . . Yolande "YoYo" Drouin, steno bureau, now on leave, was seen in the Depot on her way to San Francisco, looking very well.

Frank Garzon, assistant file clerk, was presented with a cake on his birthday. . . . Sympathy to Bill Derheim, trainmasters' clerk, and Leonard Derheim, DTB, bereaved of their mother. . . . Everyone was glad to see Stanley J. Hencken, advance clerk, Sacramento Freight Station, back after a lengthy illness. . . . It was good to see retired Sacramento Freight Agent "Mert" Ballard at the Freight Agents' Meeting. . . . Steno Delores Rice of Engr. Dept. got final papers on her new home and moved in all in the same weekend—a very lovely home. . . . The Roy Hutsons —Pauline, steno, Engr. Dept., and her husband, an SP yardman—also purchased a home and are busy settling their family in it. . . . Steno Lola Landerman recently underwent an operation in General Hospital and is doing fine.

Timekeeping Bureau: A big welcome to "Romie" Serna, who returned after a long siege in the hospital recovering from an automobile accident. . . . Nina Carter underwent an operation in General Hospital. . . . Glad to see Don Bailey and Harold Coons back at work—they had also been in General Hospital. . . . Sympathy to Alice Monahan in the loss of her husband. . . . Control Clerk Annette Langsdon baked a lovely cake, a "shamrock," and presented it to Head Tab Operator Harold McKenzie on St. Patrick's Day. . . . Velma Monson vacationed at Palm Springs with friends. . . . Gladys Guidotti and Annette Langsdon prepared a lovely birthday luncheon honoring Velma Monson, Ellen Boyd, and Romie Serna, April 4.

Roseville: There was considerable excitement when two teenage boys, one of them a step-son of Conductor H. H. Jones, unearthed three Indian skeletons while searching for relics in the area being leveled for additional parking space at Roseville Yard Office. Numerous arrowheads have been found in that area and supposition is that an ancient Indian burial ground is in the vicinity. . . . Brakeman William Jones and wife started out wedded life driving a new sedan. . . . Josephine Tooley, telephone operator at Portland, visited with Trainmasters' Clerk Bill Birdsall and his mother. . . . Jerry R. Ambrose, machinist, transferred from Bayshore to Roseville Yard. . . . Mabel Ward, clerk in the roundhouse office, celebrated her birthday on March 24. . . . Glad to see Hattie Alderson back in the car shop office after having been ill at home. . . . Quick recovery is wished for Jerry Darling, machinist, who has been on sick list. . . . Clerk Jessie Wolcott visited her husband, Fireman Riley Wolcott, in General Hospital. . . . Clerk C. A. Decker is also a patient in General Hospital. . . . Fireman and Mrs. Alen F. Healy spent their vacation visiting in Portland and visiting friends in Longview, Washington. . . . Brakeman Carl G. Billings spent his vacation fishing in Sacramento River and various lakes in the vicinity. . . . Glad to see that Carman Forrest C. Armstrong, on the sick list for several months, has been released for duty.

Conductor and Mrs. Frederick Kauffman held a family reunion in their home, visitors including relatives from Montana, Arizona, and Arkansas. . . . Engineer and Mrs. James B. Bush spent part of their vacation visiting relatives in Los Angeles and Phoenix. . . . Brakeman Mike Johnson has been on medical leave. . . . Switchman and Mrs. Delmar S. Marteney are in their newly-purchased home. . . . Pipefitter T. P. Fickle spent part of his vacation in Los Angeles. . . . Machinist Charles W. Fowler underwent eye surgery. . . . Sympathy to Pipefitter Frank K. Mackey in the death of his mother in Missouri. . . . Engineer and Mrs. Julius S. Gutmann spent a grand vacation visiting relatives at Hemet, Calif., and sight-seeing in Los Angeles. . . . Machinist Helper Robert Chaney has been a patient in General Hospital. . . . Conductor and Mrs. Floyd Smith spent their vacation visiting their new grand-daughter in Kansas.

Traffic Departments

Tucson, Phoenix, Ethel Langford.

Phoenix was the setting for an SP luncheon attended by local businessmen and Company officers. San Francisco representatives included President D. J. Russell, Vice Presidents W. G. Peoples and J. W. Corbett; R. M. Gilmore, asst. vice pres., system passenger traffic; P. V. Anderson, special asst. to Vice President C. E. Peterson. New York was represented by P. E. Carneck, freight traffic manager. All the gals in the office are



SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT awards for not having a reportable injury since date of employment with SD&AE were awarded to (l-r) C. N. Brown, engineer, (1906); A. E. Keller, conductor (1941); Refugio Sanchez, trackwalker, (1912); R. Holloway, truck driver-clerk, (1920).



DOUBLY HONORED last month at a Santa Barbara dinner was Ralph Hiestand (left), general yardmaster, SB, who was presented with safety award for having had no reportable accidents among his men during 1954 and in recognition of his retirement on June 1, after 47 years' service. With him is R. D. Workman, trainmaster, who handled arrangements for dinner.

in favor of moré luncheons, having each received one of the floral centerpieces.

Gertrude Morton, tracer rate clerk, Tucson, has rounded out 10 years' service. . . . Tucson Ticket Office is back to normal with Merle Krim returning after several weeks' illness. . . . R. W. Lewis, district ticket agent, Tucson, reports his son, Lt. Col. Wm. D. Lewis, has been commended by the commanding general of the Chinese Air Force for superior performance of duty. . . . Arizonans are stretching out and taking the countryside back as their own, now that the winter visitors have packed sun goggles and departed for another year. Always glad to see them come back, though.

Salt Lake Gen. Agcy., Elaine Fotheringham.

Tom Hewitt, general agent, and his wife appeared on a television program plugging the annual Red Cross Drive. . . . Don Fowle, chief clerk, visited the Bay area over the Easter weekend. . . . Clair Loose, statistician, and family drove to Alta on Easter. Accompanying them were Clifford Payne, ticket clerk, and Cliff's brother, Rodney. . . . Your reporter, hubby and little Jan enjoyed Easter dinner with relatives in Provo. . . . W. G. Peoples, vice president, system freight traffic, was a visitor in April. . . . "Woody" Bancroft, TF&PA, Ogden, has been elected president of the Ogden Traffic Club. . . . Employes from Los Angeles and San Francisco attended the Pacific Coast Claim Conference in Salt Lake City April 12-13. Among them were G. J. Petersen, Los Angeles, and P. M. Chaimov, San Francisco.

Portland Division

Head Reporter: Howard Bailey, Supt's Office, Portland. Assistants: Louis S. Dennis, Coos Bay; Thelma Greer, Roseburg; R. J. Higgins, Medford; A. E. Luther, Salem; Conrad Morasch, John M. Thew, Brooklyn; June Middleton, Don Richardson (photographer), Portland; Edith Lake and Pearl Damewood, Eugene.

A dinner meeting of agents, chief clerks, cashiers, and other station personnel held at Eugene was attended by representatives of Traffic departments, Freight Protection, PMT, PFE, Pacific Car Demurrage Bureau, and various division officers.

Yardmen at Roseburg are proud of the plaque recently presented them for outstanding safety record. This was one of the two yards on the entire system to enjoy an accident-free year in 1954. They share the honors with Watsonville Junction. Presentation was made by Assistant Superintendent L. R. Smith. . . . Roseburg employes who have been in the hospital include Roundhouse Foreman J. Taubenkrau, Conductor S. Hebard, Machinist E. Bjorgen, and Brakeman J. V. Fennell. Engineer Vance Perry has been off duty since the first of the year, first with illness, then with a burned hand, which Reporter Thelma Greer contends he injured while frying donuts. . . . Assistant Cashier George Ash of Eugene vacationed in Mexico, attended the rodeo in Phoenix, and visited Pipefitter Emery Elliott in General Hospital. . . . Telegrapher E. L. Thompson vacationed in the East; Carman E. E. McDonald of Brooklyn attended LDS convention in Salt Lake; Carman Dale Warnholtz spent his vacation in Canada; Car Inspector R. L. Cooper of Springfield took a trip to Miami.

Sympathy to Stationery Clerk Kay Meyer in the death of her father; to Chief Dispatcher V. N. Fields whose wife passed away, and to Clerk L. W. Rice whose mother died. . . . The best of luck to Clerks George Ratiu and William Hurt who have transferred to General Office. . . . Signalman Donald R. Lee entered military service; Clerk A. C. Nelson returned from two years of army life in Missouri, and settled down at Tillamook. . . . Telegrapher A. C. Getty is back on the job at Tillamook after several months in General Hospital. He's a disloyal Oregonian, bragging about the sunshine in California. . . . Clerk Don R. Smith vacationed in "sunny" California.

Plans are under way for two big picnics on the division. The Safety picnic will be held at Corvallis August 7, and Chairman George Penketh is keeping his various committee heads on the jump. Roseburg employes have scheduled a picnic at Umpqua Park, August 14, and have extended invitations to employes and families from other parts of the division who can make the trip to their fair city. A quick glance through their program indicates it will be a day well spent. More details on both affairs next month.

The Coos Bay Line will not be the same without Conductor Alexander B. Wilson and Brakeman Carl Walker, who were feted in joint retirement ceremonies. Wilson had 41 years' service and Walker had chalked up 33 years. Both men got their start on the old Coos Bay, Roseburg & Eastern Railroad & Navigation Company, a name which they contend was too long to write on a box car. Wilson thinks the road should have been called the Wilson line, since he and three brothers worked at the same time. Both men plan trips in the near future, Wilson to Hawaii and Walker to Alaska. . . . Gideon Morse, cashier, Portland Park Street, who has been ill since last September, retired April 1 after 43 years' service. . . . Telegrapher Rosby Davis has a fine coin collection, including a silver dollar minted in 1798.

"That's '30' for tonight" is a common sign off for newscasters and that is what the dispatcher said to Agent G. L. Helvie, formerly in charge of Cochran station. The last train order issued to that station before it closed was No. 30. . . . Chore Boy Operator Frank Feeley, Clerk C. E. Edwards and Clerk George Gange have been on the sick list. . . . Clerk George Sanford of Park Street was guest of honor at a retirement ceremony at Park Street in April, honoring his 43 years' service. Fishing is going to take up the major part of his time from now on. . . . Railroad employes have unusual hobbies, but one of the strangest is that of Clerk Len Isaacs of Salem. Tiring of hair-dressing as a profession, he went to work for the railroad in 1946, but has set up a small beauty shop in his garage and makes a part-time hobby of his old trade. Len says his most difficult customer is his wife.

The "new-car-fever" epidemic's recent "victims" include Assistant Trainmasters Don Wimer and C. C. Mikkelsen, Roadmaster Joe Carone, Assistant Signal Supervisor Clyde Williams, Roundhouse Foreman J. L. VanDarwarka, and Head Timekeeper E. J. Painter. . . . Mark F. Murray, who retired as telegrapher last August, writes from Ashley, Illinois, on a fancy letterhead of the *Ashley News*, M. F. Murray, publisher. Mark says the newspaper and printing business was new to him, but he's having a lot of fun, is making friends, and doing a nice business. . . . Carrie Wuertley of Timekeeping Bureau vacationed at Roswell, New Mexico, visiting a nephew in the Air Force. She took side trips to Grand Canyon, Hoover Dam, Las Vegas and Reno. Other Timekeeping Bureau vacations included Odelia Ford and Freda Baum to Las Vegas and Earl Smith to New Mexico, Texas and Tennessee. . . . Timekeeper Mike Schmidt and wife enlarged the family by adopting a baby girl.

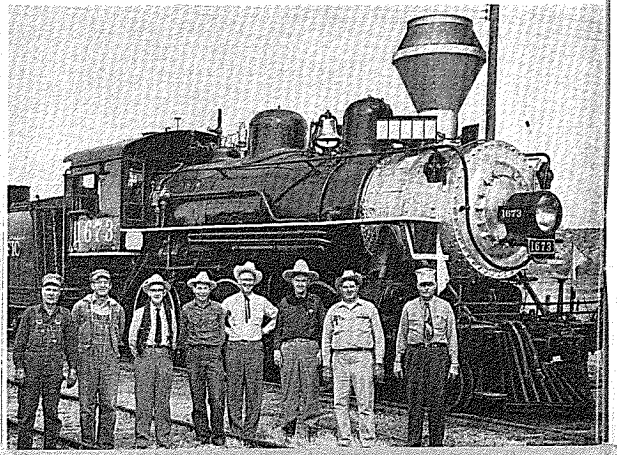
Los Angeles Division

Head Reporter: L. E. Paddock, Supt's Office, Los Angeles. Assistants: J. Ann Macon, Supt's Office; Anna L. Graham, Dist. Timekeeping Bureau; H. T. Grounds, MP&C Dept.; Barbara Patterson, Colton; Bernice L. Monroe, L.A Yard; Jasper L. Kennon, LA Local Freight; Elsie L. Tucker, Oxnard; Dawn Lawrence, El Centro; E. M. Maldonado, Indio; Jack DeLaney, Long Beach.

The Imperial Valley sugar beet season started about May 2 and will continue until the second week of July with an expected rail shipment of approximately 9,539 cars. . . . An estimated 2,000 cars of cantaloupes started moving out of the Imperial Valley between May 10 and 15. . . . General Manager's safety awards have been presented to Terminal Roadmaster's District, Harbor Roadmaster's District, Colton Roadmaster's District, Water Service Department, Signal Department, Electrical Department, Motor Car Repair Shop, Colton Yard, Santa Barbara Yard, and Colton Roundhouse for completing year 1954 without an injury reportable to the I.C.C. . . . A chartered bus load of Los Angeles employes attended the Safety Meeting held at Colton, preceded by one of Harold Bradbury's famous ham dinners.

Sue Burdick, trainmaster's clerk, Santa Barbara, is the proud owner of a new car and is planning her June vacation to Grand Canyon, Bryce and Zion Canyons, and hopes to include Yellowstone in her itinerary. . . . Margaret Mitchell, file clerk in Supt's Office, back to work after a 10-day siege with the "flu." . . . A lunch-time miscellaneous shower was given in honor of Marie Newcomb, asst. head file clerk, who married Signal Dept. Clerk David Caruth. Hostesses included Pat Matt, Phyllis Pedigo, Vera Andrews, Beverly Gunderson, Erva Ahlstrom, Grace Sandschulte, and Margaret Mitchell. . . . The broad smile on Fuel Statistician Elmer Johnson's face these days is caused by the arrival of his first granddaughter who was born on her dad's birthday. . . . A speedy recovery is wished Steno Nan Daly, MofW Dept., who injured her arm recently. . . . Sympathy to M. E. Hopperstad, clerk, Supt's Office, in the loss of his mother. . . . . To discuss the hot box problem on cars owned by private tank car lines, a meeting was held on April 19 with representatives of the mechanical departments of those lines and all the Southern California railroads. . . . The April meeting of the RBWA was held at the Certified Grocers of California, preceded by a steak dinner.

TEST PILOTS for diamond stacked locomotive 1673 on its trial run just before entering Tucson on its last run to commemorate the 75th anniversary of SP's arrival in Tucson (see April *Bulletin*) were (l-r) E. L. Smith, fireman; W. H. Codd, engineer; Maxwell Brown, conductor; C. D. Boyd, brakeman; A. H. Halloway, brakeman; Leonard Wise, trainmaster; E. L. Clark, brakeman; Fred Bellmer, road foreman of engines. No. 1673 is now in its permanent resting place in Tucson, a gift from SP to the city.



Jack Shaffer, secy. to asst. supt., has been wistfully comparing his lot with the fortunates below the border who can enjoy the Mexican siesta system, and trying to figure out some way to promote a similar working schedule here.

Beaumont: Hearty welcome to Train Dispatcher J. W. Scobee, recently transferred from Tucson. . . . Art Sterner, train dispatcher, spent a 30-day leave prospecting for uranium. . . Happy to see Bill Meek, asst. chief dispatcher, back on job after two months' illness. . . . Joe Reichel, lineman, and Steno-Clerk Lee Eyler, Chief Dispatcher's Office, recovering speedily after visit to Tucson Hospital. . . . System Examiner J. P. Griffin spent two days in Beaumont conducting rules meetings with dispatchers.



RECENTLY RETIRED were Jeff Hoell (left) agent at Tracy, after 45 years' service and Charles Bradley, electrician foreman, Sacramento Shops after nearly 40 years.

Master Mechanic's Office: Do you ever wonder when passing San Fernando Road and see a small type steam engine in the Taylor Yards huffing and puffing, working its heart out to survive the onslaught of the hordes of diesels, just how old the engine is? Take for instance engine 1730, now working in yard service at Los Angeles. This engine was built by the Baldwin people back in 1901, and is still going strong. This locomotive, which is a 2-6-0, was called a Mogul, and history relates that an earlier edition of this type engine was made for the Russian government in the middle 1800s, and thusly called a "Mogul." Engine 1730 now averages around 25,000 miles a year and since its initial appearance for the Company has seen a great many points on the system prior to coming to the LA Div. in November of 1950. Engine 1730 has served valiantly in two wars and though her diesel sisters did most of the work during the recent fracas in Korea, she did her share and still is working hard keeping the American railroads moving.

Peggy Hayes, clerk, "C" Yard, is really excited about being selected to represent the president of the Railroad Business Women at the May 20th convention in Chicago. . . . Glad to report that the wife of John McCormack, steno, who was seriously ill is fast recovering. . . . Master Mechanic W. J. McHugh was one of the guest speakers at the Career Day program at the Verdugo Hills High School. All professions and businesses were represented, and Mr. McHugh ably represented the railroad. . . . Many vacationers out of the Master Mechanic's Office include Steno Betty Mulsoff, who is going to play girl-housewife in lieu of girl-Friday; Carl



APRIL SHOWERS, baby variety, were given for Nancy Blake (left) clerk, Motive Power Dept., and Sybil Baldwin, poster, Aud. Misc. Accts., both of SF.

Holmes, genl foreman's clerk, off to Houston to visit his parents, and *Bulletin* reporter Grounds and wife to Laguna. . . . Machinist Bill Reyes, recently retired, is enjoying his leisure hours very much.

Los Angeles Yard: Train Crew Dispatcher T. R. Neuman enjoyed a visit from his son, Gilly, Airman Second Class, who was home on a 10-day furlough.

Oxnard: A farewell party was held for Joe Lavin, yard clerk, who retired after 49 years of railroading. Coffee and donuts were served and gifts were presented to him upon his departure from our staff. Joe started his railroad career in 1906 as a fireman in Connecticut. . . . Joseph Nark, relief telegrapher, is convalescing from an operation. . . . Welcome back to Yard Clerk Clark Dodson. . . . Harry Smith, revising clerk, and Bill Kehrer, yard clerk, celebrated their birthdays last month.

LA Local Freight: Willard Riley, OS&D clerk, was honored last month at the Beverly Wilshire Hotel when he was chosen as one of the three best-dressed men at the annual Easter Brunch. Willard, who lives in Alhambra, was clad in a charcoal flannel suit with a pink shirt.

Dist. Timekeeping Bureau: Mildred McGowan vacationed in Pennsylvania with relatives. . . . Alton McGraw made a rush business trip to El Paso. . . . Peggy Willey and engineer-husband J. J. Willey celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. . . . Of all things, Frank Mann recovered a knife he lost a year ago when making TV repairs under his house.

Railroads move a ton of freight one mile, on the average, with only a teaspoonful of diesel fuel oil where the work is done with diesel locomotives, or with about two ounces of coal or two tablespoonfuls of fuel oil where the work is done by steam locomotives.

DIED

LOS ANGELES DIVISION: **Edward Harrigan,** yardman; **Charles Moore,** conductor; **Henry Willig,** carman; **Lucas Rodriguez,** laborer; **Raymond Dunson,** engineer. Pensioners: **Claude Brooks,** conductor; **Frank Caldwell,** engineer; **Henry Clark,** agent; **Gilberto Higuera,** track laborer; **Charles Lyon,** machinist; **Augustin Ortega,** laborer; **John Reynolds,** brakeman; **Raymond Robles,** water service mechanic; **Fred Thornton,** waiter; **Frank Williams,** yardman.

SHASTA DIVISION: **Marion Schrader,** pass clerk. Pensioner: **Barclay Burke,** yardmaster.

SALT LAKE DIVISION: **Ernest Wagner,** telegrapher; **James Sneddon,** clerk; **L. W. Gilbertson,** helper.

RIO GRANDE DIVISION: **Ralph Ray,** brakeman; **E. L. Buddy,** telegrapher. Pensioners: **John Hamilton,** brakeman; **John Willis,** machinist.

WESTERN DIVISION: **Arthur Christensen,** city ticket agent; **Pietro Angelini,** crane foreman; **Henry Hill,** engineer; **Ernest McGaffie,** washer; **Anita Brewer,** clk.; **Jewel Lee,** engineer; **Wm. Stoneman, Jr.,** asst. B&B supvr.; **Anton Heiling,** deckhand; Pensioners: **Ulysses Cooksey,** porter; **Alpheus Davis,** agent-telegrapher; **Robert Juckes,** asst. stationmaster; **James Leary,** police officer; **Louis Mullins,** agent-telegrapher; **Ernest Parks,** waiter; **James Quinn,** brakeman; **August Reyher,** clerk; **August Schoenfeldt,** brakeman.

COAST DIVISION: **Carleton Elwood,** signalman; **Thomas Chiotti,** machinist; **Paul Hummell,** ticket clerk. Pensioners: **James Brady,** freight foreman; **Thomas Cannon,** clerk; **William Corbin,** engineer; **John Donahue,** section foreman; **Richard Hughes,** teller; **John Litsas,** coach cleaner; **Stephen Neubecker,** machinist.

SACRAMENTO DIVISION: **Herbert McIntosh,** ticket clerk; **Harry Pike,** water service helper; **Joseph Pickler,** section foreman; **Herman Holmes, Sr.,** trucker. Pensioners: **Henry Arnold,** clerk; **Frederic Denney,** engineer; **George Gray,** engineer; **Nathan McCrary,** engineer; **Juan Quesada,** laborer; **Milos Radunovich,** scrap sorter.

TUCSON DIVISION: **Laura Harris,** clerk. Pensioners: **Fred Banning,** conductor; **Augustin Ferro,** DFA; **Ernest Hasselbom,** B&B foreman; **Tomas Vega,** gardener.

PORTLAND DIVISION: **Hans Hansen,** lead car inspector; **John Harms,** boilermaker. Pensioners: **Howard Jones,** MP&C laborer; **Edward Makinster,** clerk.

SAN JOAQUIN DIVISION: Pensioners: **James Crites,** engineer; **Samuel Elder,** crossing watchman; **Lynn Riley,** conductor; **John Voorhies,** carpenter.

SACRAMENTO SHOPS: Pensioners: **Howard Barker,** boilermaker; **Thomas Hall,** molder; **Johannes Krug,** sheet metal worker; **Sherman Lewis,** freight car builder; **Vito Parrino,** car repairer; **Harold Wilson,** blacksmith helper.

GENERAL OFFICE: Pensioners: **Myrtle Chapman,** calculator operator, AGA; **Vernon Davis,** bill coll. clerk, AGA; **Mary Reilly,** telephone operator; **Helen Weiler,** steno, VP-SFT.

MISCELLANEOUS: **Mac Allen,** printer machine supervisor, Communications, SF; **Richard Love,** freight agent, SD&AE; **Robert Slaughter,** freight carman, Sacramento Shops. Pensioners: **Benjamin Pearson,** clerk, Sacramento Stores; **George Klink,** DC inspector, Oakland; **Malcolm McDonald,** check clerk, SPPSS Lines; **Charles Poindexter,** chef, Oakland Commissary; **Richard Schmidt,** yard inspector, DC Dept., LA; **Frank Smith,** office porter, SPSS Lines; **Henry Clouette,** engineer; **Glenn Crowel,** brakeman; **William King,** engineer; **Charles Perkins,** passenger director; **Pete Soldavini,** shop laborer; all of NWPRR.

RETIRED

SACRAMENTO SHOPS: **Clarence Bardsley,** passenger carman; **Wesley Batchelor,** pipefitter; **Charles Bradley,** electrician foreman; **Santiago Candelaria,** painter helper; **Henri Lefebvre,** electrician; **Angelo Pinto,** boilermaker helper; **Ygnacio Ramirez,** molder; **Giorgio Languigni,** blacksmith helper.

RIO GRANDE DIVISION: **Fred Anderson,** engineer; **Frank Barger,** car distributor; **Joe Briones,** bench carpenter; **Henry Crist,** section foreman; **William Garside,** B&B foreman; **Rodolfo Rico,** passenger carman; **Louie Rogers,** conductor.

TUCSON DIVISION: **John Babington,** telegrapher-clerk; **Leo Caldwell,** electrician; **Manuel Felix,** machinist; **Felipe Garcia,** section laborer; **Marion Mudge,** clerk; **Henry Riesgo,** car inspector; **Victor Sanchez,** boilermaker; **Harry Stockham,** freight carman; **Pulon Thornton,** machinist helper.

SHASTA DIVISION: **Frank Alessio,** boilermaker; **Earl Blankenship,** carman; **William Boies,** clerk; **Gail Brown,** electrician; **William Cathcart,** carman; **John Cook,** brakeman; **Lee Hickman,** sheet metal worker helper; **Phillip Kafer,** car foreman; **William Williams,** engineer.

LOS ANGELES DIVISION: **Edward Becking,** engineer; **John Benton,** clerk; **Finnis Churchwell,** yardman; **Frank Combs,** conductor; **Ed-**



DOLORES BRUCE (seated, right) key punch opr., Aud. Equip. Serv. Accts., was honored at a baby shower given by her office friends. Seated also is her mother, Mrs. Merrill. Standing (l-r) Ruth Nichols, Cecilia Moriarity, Elizabeth Burke, Helen Leong, Mary Piambo.

ward Hoy, brakeman; **Leon Jones,** conductor; **Homer Looby,** pipefitter; **John McLaughlin,** conductor; **Warren Payne,** conductor; **William Reyes,** machinist; **Fred A. Smith,** dispatcher.

SACRAMENTO DIVISION: **James Darks,** conductor; **Dario Duarte,** section laborer; **Curtis Griffin,** car inspector; **Hjalmar Ingwarson,** stationary engineer; **William Pfahler,** water service pumper; **Virgil Thoroughman,** carman; **Peter Zadra,** B&B carpenter.

LOS ANGELES SHOPS: **Miguel Valdes,** boilermaker helper; **Felix Vecchione,** upholsterer.

PORTLAND DIVISION: **Herbert Bellows,** crew dispatcher; **George Blanton,** freight carman; **Wendell Brown,** carman; **Tom Fellas,** section foreman; **Constantino Ferrero,** brickman; **Louis Flannery,** engineer; **Carl Henry,** conductor; **Roy Kelly,** clerk; **Michael McEntire,** freight carman; **Ray Northrup,** traveling carpenter; **George Sanford,** clerk; **Frederick Sievers,** freight carman; **Eugene Skidmore,** freight carman; **Harry Wheeler,** engineer.

SALT LAKE DIVISION: **Raymond Brizzee,** engineer; **Phillip Brophy,** machinist; **Louis Burk,** brakeman; **William Corbiere,** engineer; **John Dewar,** clerk; **Dominick Inama,** shop laborer; **Lyle Shepley,** engineer; **Louis Tregaskis,** brakeman.

COAST DIVISION: **Rafael Arias,** painter's helper; **John Groshart,** freight carman; **Juan Gutierrez,** sandhouseman; **Charles Plomteau,** conductor; **Rall Riley,** asst. general yardmaster; **Harry Verhoef,** boilermaker.

SAN JOAQUIN DIVISION: **William Martin,** manager wire chief; **Rupert Ralston,** engineer.

LOS ANGELES SHOPS: **Alvin Anderson,** general foreman's clerk; **Charles D'Auria,** blacksmith helper; **Pantalion Garcia,** boilermaker helper; **Henry Needham,** boilermaker; **Pedro Perez,** freight carman; **John Pfarrer,** machinist.

GENERAL OFFICE, SF: **Archer Harlan,** asst. to treasurer; **Harry Langheldt,** asst. engineer, Valuation Dept.; **Elizabeth McBain,** clerk, Aud. of Equip. Service; **Sidney Rablin,** ticket agent, Passenger Traffic Dept.

WESTERN DIVISION: **Yrineo Castaneda,** section laborer; **John Dineen,** towerman; **Daniel Eberhart,** machinist helper; **Frank Emkeit,** yardmaster; **Baldo Ferlan,** carman; **Charles Galloway,** car inspector; **Arthur Hancock,** car inspector; **Dee Herrick, Jr.,** water service mechanic; **Oliver Kopp,** pipefitter helper; **Manuel Luis,** engine watchman; **Bryan Lynch,** marine engineer; **David Markey,** engineer; **Adie Miller,** yardman; **John Myers,** conductor; **Charles Parrish,** conductor; **James Prindiville,** special agent; **Tony Slades,** coach cleaner.

MISCELLANEOUS: **Jesse Beaty,** steward, Dining Car Dept.; **Francisco Macias,** crane foreman, El Paso Stores; **Girard Farlin,** city freight agent, Freight Traffic, LA; **Thomas Merriott,** stockman's assistant; **Chester Crist,** conductor; NWP; **John Urton,** supervisor of terminal, P&SR.

NEW APPOINTMENTS

OPERATING: **B. K. McNear,** to trainmaster, Tucumcari; **W. C. Morris,** to asst. terminal supt., LA; **V. H. DeRiso,** to gen. car forman, passenger car dept., Sacto Shops; **H. B. Fowler,** to asst. trainmaster, headquarters Colfax, Sacto Div.; **L. H. Nations,** to asst. trainmaster, headquarters Sacto; transfers of trainmasters to new locations included **R. D. Spence** to Watsonville Jct., **Q. B. Payne** to Carlin, **R. S. Bunting** to Sacramento, **R. L. King** to Truckee; **W. R. Hoops,** to manager, Bur. of Appropriations, Gen. Manager's Office, SF; **C. A. Derheim,** to chief clerk, Office of General Supt. of Transportation, SF.

TRAFFIC: **Thomas W. Brockmiller,** to agent, LA Station Ticket Office; **George A. Baldwin,** to dist. pass. agt., Long Beach; **Robert E. McGee,** to city ticket agent, Oakland.

MARRIED & ENGAGED

Married: **Marshall Emerson,** car inspector, San Joaquin Div., to Alma Forbes; **George Speris,** car inspector, Coast Div., to Catherine Giorgi; **J. E. Johnson,** roundhouse clerk, Coast Div., to Nancy Webb; **David Caruth,** stenoclerk, to **Marie Newcomb,** asst. head file clerk, both of LA Div.; **Bob Grant,** tracing bur., to **Darlene Westlake,** R&AF, both of Aud. Frt. Accts, SF; **John Rintalla,** timekeeper-clerk, PMT, SF, to Sharon McKee; **Ed Hogan,** index clerk, General Claims, SF, to Mary Elower; **William Jones,** brakeman, Sacramento Div., to Lyda Radcliff; **Pamela Spencer,** stenographer, Salt Lake Div., to James Collette; **Neil Lanksonen,** brakeman, Portland Div., to Joanne Jarvis.

Engaged: **Betty Faulkner,** steno, Motive Power, SF, to Gunnar Johansen;



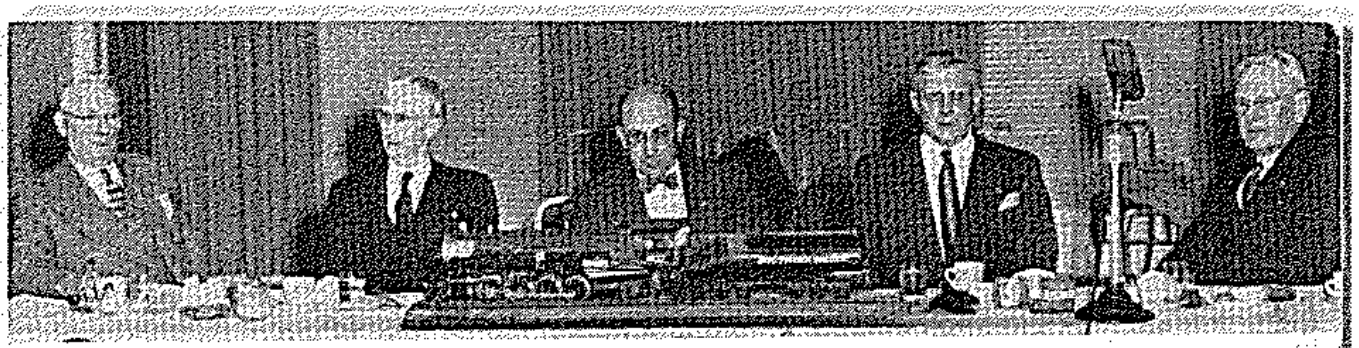
ENGAGED is Marta Orsi, nurse, General Hospital, SF, to Roberto Martinelli. Marta's sister is Delfa Pardini, IBM operator, Ogden.

Betty Wright, clerk, Sacramento Div., to George Sanders; **Arlene Pruitt,** clerk, Aud. Frt. Accts., SF, to Douglas Richards.

BORN

Sons to: **Howard Johnson,** brakeman, Sacramento Div.; **Dave Carlson,** AAR clerk, **Al Grover,** draftsman, both of Motive Power, SF; **Wilburn Killingsworth,** head file clerk, San Joaquin Div.; **Coy Blaylock,** brakeman, **Kenneth Wynn,** brakeman, both of Los Angeles Div.; **Wanda Granshaw,** printer machine operator, Portland, Communications; **Stephen March,** clerk, **J. A. Robinson,** MofW electrician, both of Coast Div.; **J. B. Kirk, Jr.,** driver, Tulare, PMT; **U. F. Kearl,** timekeeper, Salt Lake Div.; **John Goncalves,** Sacramento Shops; **J. J. Ploub,** conductor; **Michael Pfaller,** brakeman; **John Angvick,** telegrapher; **Paul Bonney,** telegrapher, all of Portland Div.

Daughters to: **Wally Konstanzer,** LA Freight Claims Dept.; **V. A. McMillan,** brakeman; **V. Newlun,** yardman, both of Shasta Div.; **Louis Yuenishi,** clerk; **Frank Yim,** lead draftsman; both of Western Div.; **John Tatarakis,** helper, **Joe Tomasello,** deliveryman, both of Sacramento Stores; **Ida Clark,** calculating bur., Aud. Frt. Accts., SF; **Harold McClure,** Car Dept.; **Marvin Millsap,** brakeman; **Harry Chang,** draftsman; all of Coast Div.; **Howard Norville,** wire chief, Communications, SF; **Harvey Parmalee,** brakeman, San Joaquin Div.; **A. L. Rhorer,** yardman, Sacramento Div.; **John Downey,** telegrapher; **W. D. Gann,** conductor; **Lawrence Helm,** agent, all of Portland Div.



HONORED RECENTLY were two Western Division employes who retired as officers of the BLF&E. Leaving his post as secretary-treasurer was Frank Adamson (2nd from left) engineer, who served in that capacity since 1905, and Local Chairman W. W. McArthur (4th from left) who served for 34 years. Others in picture include (l-r) G. A. Meade, international vice-president, BLF&E; Past Pres. A. M. Brink, engineer; Ret. Chairman of Gen. Grievance Committee C. W. Moffitt, engineer. Model steam engine in foreground was built by Vic Shattock, foreman of water service dept.

ON THE VETERANS' HONOR ROLL



CONGRATULATIONS: Clay Moody (above left, with wife) agent, Roseburg, completed 40 years' service. Charles Luhr (upper right, with wife) engineer, Western Div., had 52 years. Below are two other Western Division men who retired. In picture at left, Engineer Carl Simmons, 45 years' service, is flanked by Stanley Bray (left), road foreman of engines, and A. S. McCann, supt. In picture at right, Captain Johan Johansen (left) is congratulated on completion of 49 years' service by A. J. Ferrara, supervisor of Marine and Ferry Station Operations.

